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Ike: I Warned 3 States on Suez

WASHINGTON. — President Eisenhower told his press conference yesterday that he had warned Israel, Britain and France against armed attack on Egypt in October, 1956. He also said that the U.K. had deliberately imposed a news blackout as far as the U.S. was concerned on its intentions during the fortnight preceding the Suez invasion.

Mr. Eisenhower was commenting on the memoirs of Sir Anthony Eden, who had written that the U.S. knew as early as June, 1956, that Britain was prepared to use force to undo Nasser's seizure of the Suez Canal.

He said the U.S. had made it very clear that it would stand by its interpretation of the U.N. Charter and would apply this to its closest friends as to others.

Early in October 1956 the Israel Ambassador, Mr. Abba Eban (now a member of the Government) called on him at the White House before leaving for Israel and Mr. Eisenhower told him the same thing, he said.

He said he had advised Mr. Eban not to allow any misinterpretation of pro-Jewish sentiment in the U.S. to lead him to believe the U.S. would not oppose a resort to force in the settlement of the Suez dispute.

Both the President and Mr. Dulles (late Secretary of State) went to great pains, Mr. Eisenhower said, not only to express this principle but to tell the British and French Governments what the U.S. would do if they resorted to force.

Phoned London

He said he had telephoned to Eden and to Sir Winston Churchill, when a thought struck him which he thought might be useful in preventing a breach with London. He said Mr. Dulles had told him there was an evident blackout of news on the British Government's plans in the two weeks preceding the Suez invasion and not a bit of information on these plans was given to the U.S. in those final two weeks.

The following is from the transcript of Mr. Eisenhower's press conference:

Mr. Felix Belair, "New York Times," asked: "Mr. President, since we last met, the former British Prime Minister, Mr. Eden, has had another recollection, this one about Suez... that the decision to go into Suez by Britain and France was made in June, or many months before the October going in, and that you, sir, were privy to that decision."

The President: "Well, I don't like to comment on memoirs. As I have said, I think, here several times, Mr. Eden is a very good friend of mine, been one for years, and I had great confidence in him.

"Now I do — his about the decision — or not decision, the action at Suez. I made it very clear, as a matter of fact, I'll tell you one or two footnotes of history that might be just interesting. I made it clear that the U.S. was going to stand by its interpretation of U.N. policy and the Charter, and this means that we would apply this to anybody, those that we thought our closest friends, as well as those that we thought were in another category."

'About this Time'

"At this moment, or about this time — I have forgotten just exactly at what time the invasion started—but" (Belair: "October, wasn't it?").

"I think it was — well, sometime in early October, Mr. Eban was going back to Israel for a short time. He came in to see me. And I told him I'd hoped that he would not allow my misinterpretation of sentiment in this country to sway him, and particularly because of possible Jewish sympathy for the, what seemed to be an intention building up around the mobilisation of Israel at that time... I hoped he would not allow this.. his judgment as to what this Administration would do in doing its very best to prevent any outbreak of hostilities and the, you might say, the settlement of international issues by force.

"And I told him that if he thought that this would have any part, iota of influence on the election or that would have any influence on me, he should disabuse his mind about it.

"In addition to that, both Foster Dulles and I made a great — went to great pains to show Britain and to France what we would do under that kind of, or set of circumstances. And as far as the decision itself was concerned, for the past two weeks — I mean the two weeks just prior to the action— Dulles told me there wasn't a single item that came in from the British Foreign Office and as a matter of fact, he referred to it as a 'blackout of news.' Now, that is all I recall from this time. But I am not trying to impugn anybody else's memory or anybody's interpretation of the facts as they were then. We had telephone calls and trans-Atlantic — in order to try to keep this thing on the rails, but that was our own attitude, that we know."

(UPI, INA)

Diana Barrymore Dead at 38

NEW YORK (Reuter). — Diana Barrymore, 38-year-old Broadway actress and daughter of the late John Barrymore, was found dead in her bed in her apartment here on Monday.

Her body was sent for an autopsy and her doctor said later that death was apparently from natural causes.

In 1955 she attempted suicide by swallowing 27 sleeping pills.

Jerusalem Doubts On Ike-Eban Parley

POST Diplomatic Correspondent

Political quarters in Jerusalem last night expressed surprise at President Eisenhower's statement that he had warned Ambassador Abba Eban early in October, 1956 against the Israel Government's using force in connection with the Suez dispute.

It was noted that Mr. Eban left Washington on October 12 or 13 of that year to report to the Government here. This was before Israel-Egyptian relations had reached a critical stage.

There is no recollection in these quarters of any intimation by the Foreign Ministry about that time of a meeting between Mr. Eban and Mr. Eisenhower, nor did any news agency report any such meeting.

Asked for his views on Mr. Eisenhower's statement, Mr. Eban said last night he had "no comment."

IKE 'NOT INFORMED' ON SAUDI BAN

WASHINGTON (INA).—President Eisenhower yesterday dismissed to some extent a question about implementation of the Morse-Javits amendment to the Mutual Security Act empowering the President to withhold aid from nations that discriminate against Americans on a basis of religion or race.

Mr. Eisenhower told his press conference: "I have seen no specific case of this kind brought before me on my desk for a long time, and I'll just take a look before I can state what my policy will be for this reason: These exceptions are written in the law as, put the specific cases before the President and let him decide whether or not such-and-such a thing is to the best interest of the U.S."

He added that "quite, such a decision has to conflict with... the normal or general policy. You have to do it because of specific cases, and that is all I can say because I don't know the cases you are talking about this morning."

Told that the questioner referred to Saudi Arabian discrimination against American (Jewish) citizens, Mr. Eisenhower indicated he would follow the recommendation of the State Department and "If they have anything to tell me I'll be glad to take it up again."

Moscow Alleges Bonn Arming Israel

Moscow radio, in an Arabic-language broadcast, has alleged that there is a two-way exchange of arms between West Germany and Israel. It added that "Israel expects to get new submarines from West Germany."

The Soviet broadcast said Israel's arms industry, "aided by German reparations," is today supplying weapons, not only for Israel needs, but also for the Bonn Government. In return, Israel is obtaining heavy arms, it was claimed.

It added that Bonn's "non-recognition" of Israel is intended "to mislead the Arab countries in order to keep good relations with them."

Arms to Germany

The Prime Minister replied yesterday to a parliamentary question by Mr. Haim Landau (Herut), asking: "Is the Government continuing to supply arms to Germany?"

"Yes, sir," was the reply.

TRIPOLI FREES ISRAEL CARGO

TEL AVIV. — The entire cargo of a Sabena airliner, including parcels shipped from Israel to South Africa, has been released by the Tripoli customs authorities who have held it since January 19. The cargo has been returned to Brussels, a spokesman for the Belgian line said last night.

The DC7C aircraft landed at Tripoli when it developed engine trouble *en route* from Brussels to Johannesburg. The cargo was held for examination while a relief plane took the passengers to Leopoldville and Johannesburg.

Earlier press reports, quoting Cairo Radio, had stated that the Israel cargo had been confiscated.

Thought and Action

MONROVIA (UPI). — The President of Liberia, Mr. William V. Tubman, on Monday night inaugurated the Government which will serve for the next three years.

President Tubman told the cabinet that no one can foresee all the changes that will take place in the world and in Africa in that time.

He said: "Let us think like men of action and act like men of thought."

Guinea Urges Common Mart For Africa

TUNIS (Reuter). — M. Abdoulaye Diallo, Guinea Minister in Ghana, on Tuesday asked the second African Peoples Congress meeting here to consider forming an African Common Market.

In presenting his report as Congress Secretary-General, M. Diallo stressed the need to take concrete measures.

These measures should bring about African unity and independence, including diplomatic relations between all African countries and reorganization of all transport and postal services in pan-African terms, he said.

Earlier, Ahmed Tlili, the Congress' President, called for a minute's silence "in memory of all those dead in the service of Africa in the battle against colonialism."

Loudest cheers of the morning session were for Mahjoub Ben Seddik, of the Moroccan Workers Union, when he said: "From all Africa, volunteers should be sent to Algeria to symbolize the continent's unity."

He added that an all-African "solidarity fund" should be created "to help our Algerian brothers."

Mahjoub was speaking for the preparatory committee of the Constituent Congress of the pan-African Trade Union Federation which is due to meet in Casablanca in May.

Dag Opens African UN Economic Parley

TANGIER, Morocco (Reuter). — U.N. Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold said on Tuesday that the image of Africa he had formed during his current tour of the continent was "a refreshing one of youth and vigour." He was speaking at the opening here of the second session of the U.N. Economic Commission for Africa.

He went on: "We must recognize the fact, inevitable under historical circumstances, that political borders will cut across natural economic regions in a manner which will make useful development schemes impossible without concerted action among contiguous areas.

"Coming from a trans-continental tour, it is perhaps not unnatural that I should mention the overriding importance of a national network of inland transport and communications and of international rivers without which the economic potentialities of Africa cannot be realized.

"Perhaps also in this context, may I be permitted to single out, as a pointer in the right direction, the agreement recently signed between the U.A.R. and the Sudan for the further development of the Nile, beneficial to both countries."

Crown Prince Moulay Hassan of Morocco made a strong appeal at the conference for the independence of Algeria and an end to what he called "the tragic drama now being enacted on our border."

Security Council Backs Kamerun

UNITED NATIONS (Reuter). — The Security Council yesterday unanimously endorsed the application of the new West African state of Kamerun for admission to the U.N.

France and Tunisia jointly sponsored the candidacy of the first U.N. trust territory to have become a sovereign state.

Israel M.D. to Head Massawa Hospital

An Israel physician has been seconded to Massawa in Eritrea to manage a hospital opened there, the Foreign Ministry confirmed on Tuesday. He was sent by the Technical Assistance Division of the Ministry.

The physician is Dr. Pe'eri, Assistant Medical Director of Kupat Holim Amamit and one-time Chief Physician of the Air Force.

An Israel surgeon is shortly to join the hospital staff. His wife will serve as Head Nurse.

Israel Protests U.S. Navy Boycott

POST Political Reporter

An Israel protest over the U.S. Navy's acquiescence in the Arab boycott was presented in Washington on Tuesday by the Israel Ambassador, Mr. Avraham Harman, to the Assistant Secretary of State for Middle Eastern Affairs, Mr. Louis Jones.

For the past two years the U.S. Navy has signed no contracts for the supply of oil with vessels that had called in Israel ports. Until late last night no detailed report of the meeting had been received in Jerusalem, and it is not yet known whether Mr. Harman presented a written or verbal *demarche*.

U.S. Accepts Israel View on Swastikas

The Israel Embassy in Washington on Tuesday received a note from the U.S. Government in reply to the Israel note to the State Department on the recent wave of anti-Semitic outbursts in various parts of the world.

The reply says that the U.S. Government takes note of the Israel Government's concern and agrees with its views in regard to this matter. It also quotes President Eisenhower's statement of January 12, 1960, on the dangers to liberty and decency everywhere involved in racial bigotry.

In Canberra, Prime Minister R. G. Menzies on Tuesday condemned the daubing of anti-Jewish slogans and swastikas on buildings in Australian cities. He said the Government was watching the position "very closely."

Foreign Ministry Report on Swastikas

Steps taken by the Foreign Ministry concerning recent anti-Semitic acts abroad were reported by Mr. Ya'acov Tsur, the Ministry's Acting Director-General, to a meeting yesterday of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security Committee. The Knesset had referred the question to the committee.

The report covered the Ministry's collecting of pertinent information, its notifications to various countries, and the responses received.

The discussion will continue at the next session.

Mrs. Golda Meir was prevented by illness from attending yesterday's meeting.

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41 Neo-Nazis Said Held in E. Germany

BERLIN (UPI). — The West Berlin newspaper "B.Z." said yesterday that East German Communists have arrested 41 youths who formed a neo-Nazi underground movement.

The newspaper said 27 of the youths were members of the "Free German Youth," Soviet Zone Communist Youth Organization. It added that the group was only one of several extreme right-wing nationalist groups that exist in East Germany.

Mosques in UAR To Doff Minarets

The Cairo authorities have decided to pull down the minarets and pulpits of all mosques in both regions of the U.A.R. as being signs of "luxury," and to ensure in future that the building of mosques conforms to "modest" standards, "El Gomhouriyah" reported on Monday.

U.K. Trade Mission For Cairo Next Month

CAIRO (Reuter). — The Cairo newspaper "Al Akhbar" said on Tuesday that the first British trade mission to visit Egypt since diplomatic relations were resumed last December would arrive here early next month.

A British spokesman here confirmed that such a visit was under discussion and said details would be announced later.

New UK Mideast Command Set Up in Cyprus

LONDON. — Britain has set up a new unified Middle East command with headquarters in Cyprus, the Defence Ministry here announced on Tuesday. The command will control all British land and air forces in the Mediterranean, and the C-in-C will be General Sir Dudley Ward. General Ward [illegible] to assume command on May 1.

The main effect of this move, according to official quarters, is that strategy moves in the Mediterranean area will from now on be directed by a single commander with a special force at his disposal. Hitherto, military policy for the area was conducted by a committee — the British Defence Coordinating Committee, Middle East.

The command of British naval forces in the Mediterranean remains separate from the over-all Middle East command, but the new unified command may call for naval support in an emergency.

The new command will be based on Episcopi, one of the two enclaves over which Britain will maintain sovereignty when Cyprus gets her independence, now scheduled for March.

The command will supplement the already existing separate Arabian Peninsula set-up for Oman, Aden and the Persian Gulf.

Aid for Cyprus

An authoritative source said here yesterday that Britain is offering Cyprus economic aid worth about £8m. sterling over a period of about five years.

The source said this offer was being discussed here by British and Cypriot leaders preparing for the island's independence, but no decision had yet been reached.

Among the top[illegible] still unresolved at the talks are the size of Britain's two military bases and facilities for major British military manoeuvres on the island.

(Reuter, UPI)

Jordan Maps Israel Plan to 'Run' Cyprus

A Jordan evening paper, "El Masa," claims Israel has suggested to those countries with which she has diplomatic relations that, if they do not intend establishing missions in Cyprus, their envoys to Israel should also serve as their representatives to the island after it gains independence.

The report, which came from Beirut, said this was an "Israeli plan to rule over Cyprus' economy."

Dag's Suez Report Not Before Sunday

POST Diplomatic Reporter

The interpretation to be given by U.N. Secretary-General, Dag Hammarskjold, to the failure of his recent Cairo talks will be an important factor when Israel's future policy and action on the Suez Canal blockade are decided. No further details are expected of the recent Hammarskjold-[illegible]er meeting until the former returns to New York next Sunday.

The Israel Government is not expected to take any decision on the Suez dispute until full details of the Cairo talks are available. Mr. Hammarskjold is likely to report personally to Israel U.N. representatives since any indirect information might tend to distort some of the talk's major points. The main question now is to be whether the Secretary-General will officially [illegible] the U.A.R.'s open and continued contempt of its international obligations.

Foreign Ministry circles stated today that Israel will not [illegible] the Inge Toft and the [illegible]ea as long as both vessels are not allowed by the authorities to carry their cargo with them.

Eytan in Paris To Assume Post

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — Former Ambassador to Israel Pierre Gilbert, and the President of the French-Israel Federation, M. An[illegible]mel, were among those who welcomed Israel's Ambassador-designate Walter Eytan and his wife when they arrived at Orly airport at noon yesterday. The Deputy Chief of Protocol, M. Negre, represented the Quai d'Orsay.

Mr. Eytan declined to make any statement before handing his letters of credence to President de Gaulle, but he reaffirmed the recent statement of Foreign Minister Golda Meir concerning Franco-Israel friendship, and expressed his intention to do all he could to strengthen relations between the two countries.

Political circles here note with sa[illegible] that Mr. Eytan brings to an end [illegible] period when [illegible] was without high-[illegible]matic representation [illegible] Paris at a time when delicate issues arose [illegible] French relations.

Siberia—and Rubles—Await Russia's Surplus Soldiers

MOSCOW (Reuter). — The 1,200,000 officers and men being demobilized from Russia's armed forces are urged to "go east" and help populate Siberia, in a state decree published here yesterday.

Special commissions are to be set up in Siberian towns to aid ex-servicemen and families adjust to civilian life in plants, building sites and farms rapidly and comfortably.

Part of the lure is higher bonuses. Those who choose to settle in Siberia get a free bounty from the state of 600 rubles (about £50 at the official exchange rate), double the sum offered those who settled in West Russia.

Men who choose the Donbass mining regions will get 500 rubles.

Premier Nikita Khrushchev announced the release of 1,200,000 men from the armed forces in the next two years — a cut of one third —at a Supreme Soviet meeting earlier this month.

Mr. Khrushchev recently spoke of remoter Siberian areas as places where "two bears seldom meet in two years." But he also promised the populations of the Far Eastern and Siberian regions quicker and better housing a bigger share of consumer goods and good food.

Siberia is expanding rapidly, concentrating on the exploitation of vast natural resources such as oil, gas, coal gold, diamonds and metals, to become, the Russians say, an arsenal on which the Soviet Union can base plans for the complete construction of Communism not only here, but in other socialist countries.

Colons Sit Tight in Hope of Parley; Army Said Unwilling to Shoot

French settlers in Algiers squat behind barricades thrown up on Sunday in defiance of the Army.

Civil War Fear

About 2,000 right-wing settlers strengthened their barricades in Algiers last night amid speculation that the Paris Government would shortly offer to negotiate with them. At the same time, Algiers radio reported that two senior Army officers in Algeria — one of them a son-in-law of President de Gaulle — had been sent to Paris on an unspecified mission.

The two officers are Colonel Georges de Boissieu, de Gaulle's son-in-law, and Colonel Dufour, commander of the Foreign Legion's crack First Paratroop regiment.

Colonel de Boissieu is chief of general staff to the C-in-C of France's 500,000-strong Army in Algeria, General Maurice Challe.

General Challe was understood to have told Premier Michel Debré, who paid a flying visit to Algiers Monday night, that none of his officers would be willing to give the order to fire on the insurrectionists.

The toll in Sunday's rioting in Algiers rose to 27 yesterday with the death of two of the wounded.

Stream of Advisers

Back in Paris yesterday, M. Debré met President de Gaulle and received a stream of officials, Parliamentarians and Defence advisers as the Government considered how to suppress the insurrection without provoking civil war.

Despite official denials, rumours persisted in political circles that the President and the Prime Minister differed on how to deal with the revolt, and that possible Government changes were in the offing.

In a statement broadcast after his Algeria visit, M. Debré said the Government's self-determination policy must stand at all costs. He added that "nothing will be possible, and everything can be lost, if order is not first re-established and maintained in Algeria."

According to Algiers radio, the insurrectionists heard M. Debré's statement "with calm," but added it did not contain what they were waiting for.

Meanwhile, 12 National Assembly Deputies and Senators from Algeria arrived in Paris by air last night.

In the French capital, leaflets signed by a right-wing Deputy, M. Jean Marie Le Pen, who opposes the Government's Algerian policy, last night urged Paris University and high school students to strike today in sympathy with "those in the front rank of the combat" in Algiers. In reply, the French National Union of Students declared its "total opposition" to the strike.

President de Gaulle yesterday also received Algeria-born Marshal Alphonse Juin, 71, France's only living Marshal, who reportedly urged the President to modify his self-determination policy for Algeria.

Colons Jubilant

In Algiers itself, meanwhile, the mood of the insurrectionists was last night reported to be increasingly jubilant and their feeling was that it is only a matter of time before an offer of negotiation is received from Paris.

About 2,000 armed men hovered by their machinegun nests and fortified positions, which extend along 200 metres of Charles Peguy Street, in Central Algiers. Lorries arrived all day at the demonstrators' headquarters at the University, bringing food and supplies.

A tacit *modus vivendi* which persisted all day Monday between the armed insurgents and the troops ringing their 800-metre square stronghold continued unchanged.

In the western seaport of Oran, settlers also threw up barricades in the centre of the city and held demonstrations, but no incidents were reported.

In Sidi Bel Abbes, Western Algeria, three Algerian Moslems sentenced to death some months ago for grenade and knife outrages were executed by a firing squad yesterday morning. Another convicted Moslem terrorist was executed in the prison courtyard of Douai, northern France.

(Reuter, UPI)

Soviet Organ Backs De Gaulle's Stand

MOSCOW (Reuter). — The Soviet trade union newspaper "Trud" said yesterday that what it described as President de Gaulle's honeymoon with the Algerian plantation owners, ended with his programme of self-determination for Algeria.

Commenting on the present situation, the newspaper quoted by Tass, said: "President de Gaulle arrived at well-founded and to a large degree realistic conclusions.

"Expounding on September 16 last year his programme for settling the Algerian conflict, he in principle recognized, albeit in a limited manner, the Algerian people's right to self-determination. From that moment on, his honeymoon with the Algerian plantation owners came to an end.

"During that period the extreme inconsistencies in the policy pursued by the French President and Government became glaringly apparent.

"Instead of implementing the principles enunciated on September 16, 1959; instead of putting an end to the undermining activities of the fascist underground, the men at the helm of State power stubbornly persisted in attempts to escape the necessity of opening negotiations with the Algerian insurgents...

"They realized, when it was too late, that the mutineers underground had already gone over to open anti-Government actions," "Trud" said.

Situation Seen Worsening

By ISRAEL NEUMANN, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — The refusal of Algiers radio to transmit Premier Debré's message, despite its moderate tone, and the arrival in Paris of 12 Algerian Deputies who intend to "inform France of the true situation" — after having qualified President de Gaulle's policy as "impossible, illegal and illegitimate" — are considered here as signs that the situation is deteriorating. The Government is, apparently, still unwilling or unable to order decisive action against the Colon insurgents.

Premier Debre returned from Algiers reportedly convinced that a large section of the Europeans there sympathize with the insurrectionists, while the Army is undecided and the Moslems are reserved. The Parliamentarians, who arrived with M. Debre's consent, will, in the name of the Colon insurgents, try to get an assurance here that the Government considers integration its aim.

Negotiations are probable in view of the demonstrative fraternization by army units with the insurrectionists, and the outright opposition by Ministers Soustelle and Guillaumat to an all-out attack on the two bastions. The majority of Ministers advocated at a Cabinet meeting energetic suppression of the insurrection by besieging and isolating the insurrectionists, but the Army does not seem to be carrying out even the order to cut off their water and electricity supplies.

Most Ministers are calling energetically for the suppression of the revolt at any price after all means of persuasion have been exhausted, and criticize certain Ministers as being responsible for not taking timely action when preparations for the insurrection were an open secret.

The Army is quickly becoming the arbiter between the legal authorities and the insurgents.

Unless de Gaulle soon intervenes forcefully, France may soon face the danger of civil war. The insurgent movement might have ramifications, and although complete quiet reigns here, the situation is developing dramatically and political organizations, fearing its deterioration, are increasing their appeals to de Gaulle to intervene personally and decisively.

Congressmen Urge Action on Suez Ban

WASHINGTON (INA).— Representative Glenn Cunningham (Nebraska; Republican) on Tuesday urged on the House floor that the State Department make "a strong protest" to the U.A.R., and also take action through the U.N., to open the Suez Canal to Israel shipping.

He said the continual denial of the use of the Canal to Israel shipping is contrary to historic agreements and contrary to the policy of the U.S. The unilateral action taken by the U.A.R. in this instance is a "clear violation of international agreements," he said.

Another Representative, Mrs. Leonor K. Sullivan, (Missouri; Democrat) speaking in Congress on the same question, said Mr. Eisenhower had termed the World Bank, which recently loaned the U.A.R. money to expand Suez Canal facilities, an "instrument of Western policy." "This," she said, "very much raises the question of what free world policy really is on this question of illegal discrimination in the use of the Suez Canal."

Israel Soldier Hurt In Syrian Attack

TIBERIAS. — An Israel soldier was slightly wounded yesterday morning when a squad of Syrian troops penetrated about 150 metres into Israel territory and fired on a patrol. The Israel troops did not return the fire.

The attack occurred at 10.45 a.m. at the foot of Tel Hatzir at a point north-east of Kfar Szold, where U.N. Observation Post number 2 is located.

The Syrians kept up automatic fire for about 15 minutes, withdrawing when U.N. observers arrived on the scene.

The Israel delegate to the Mixed Armistice Commission, Rav-Seren S. Gat, happened to be on the spot when the Syrians opened fire.

Jordan Asks Beirut To Expel ex-Mufti

Jordan has asked Lebanon to expel the former Mufti of Jerusalem, Haj Amin el Husseini, because of his campaign for the establishment of a "Palestine Republic" in West Jordan and Gaza, "Dar el Iza'a el Israelia," the Israel Arabic Broadcasting House, reported last night.

B-G Insists Tel Aviv, Haifa Have No Need for Expansion

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Tel Aviv and Haifa should not grow any larger, Mr. Ben-Gurion declared in the Knesset yesterday.

The Prime Minister was replying to a question by Mr. Perets Bernstein (General Zionist) concerning his recent remarks at the Conference of the Agricultural Workers Union on the reduction of the population of Tel Aviv.

Actually, Mr. Ben-Gurion said, he was not obliged to answer at all, since he had spoken not as a member of the Government, but as a former farm worker.

The headline in "Haboker" — B.G.: "Now I'll Cut Tel Aviv Down to Size" — was an invention of someone on the editorial staff, and the first seven lines of the report, purporting to be a direct quotation of his remarks, were a distortion, he said.

Military Danger

Mr. Ben-Gurion said that he had more than once spoken of the military and political dangers of concentrating the population in the narrow coastal strip between Tel Aviv and Haifa.

He had demanded and would continue to demand that all persons working in development areas but living in Tel Aviv or Haifa — teachers, nurses, scientists and managers — should live where they work. At the same time, these areas would have to get the necessary cultural and social amenities and good roads, lighting and sewage.

"I see no need — economic, national, cultural, or social — to expand the present large cities, except for Jerusalem," the Prime Minister said.

There was no intention to pass a law compelling any resident of Tel Aviv or Haifa to leave his town. If Mr. Bernstein was worried about his right to remain in Tel Aviv, he could rest assured that the Prime Minister would do nothing to put this in jeopardy.

Cabinet Discusses Draft Budget

POST Economic Reporter

The major changes in Israel's economy during 1959 and a forecast of economic developments for the coming years were the main topics of the report presented to the Cabinet last night by the Minister of Finance, Mr. Levi Eshkol. The Cabinet was holding a special session for its first discussion of the 1960/61 draft budget. The Cabinet is to continue the discussion at an additional meeting next week, since the draft budget is to be tabled in the Knesset shortly.

The draft budget, which comes to IL1,550m., will maintain a relatively stable level of expenditure in the regular budget at the expense of various items in the Development Budget. The main items affected are housing, which is understood to have been cut heavily, and the additional sums for investments requested by the Ministry of Development, but not approved by the Budget Bureau.

The tension of the initial budget discussions has slackened and some form of compromise is expected, but there is still no agreement on the proposed cut.

The Cabinet communique said:

The Ministry of Finance gave a run-down on the development of the economy during 1959 and mentioned the principal points in the economic outlook for the coming fiscal year and the years to follow.

On the basis of this survey, the Minister explained how he arrived at the draft budget estimates for the 1960/61 fiscal year.

It was decided to continue the discussion of the draft budget at a Cabinet meeting next week.

Students Must Serve In Regular Army Units

POST Knesset Reporter

The high level of preparedness required of the Defence Forces does not permit hundreds of students to serve outside the regular formations, the Prime Minister said in the Knesset yesterday.

He was replying to a question by Mr. Perets Bernstein (General Zionist) who asked why the University students Reserve Unit had recently been abolished. Was it not wasteful to call up students in the middle of the academic year?, Mr. Bernstein asked.

Mr. Ben-Gurion said that for this type of superior manpower to remain outside the regular ranks was liable to jeopardize our preparedness at a time when it was needed more than anything else.

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Social & Personal

The President yesterday received the Speaker of the Knesset, Mr. Kadish Luz.

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The Prime Minister yesterday received the Dominican Minister to Israel, Dr. Joaquin Salazar.

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The Acting Director-General of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs and Mrs. Ya'acov Tsur yesterday gave a luncheon for the U.S.S.R. Ambassador and Mrs. Mikhail Bodrov. Among the guests were Mr. Kadish Luz, the Speaker of the Knesset; Mr. Herzl Berger, M.K. and Mrs. Berger; Miss Lea Goldberg; Mr. and Mrs. Yosef Avidar and Mr. Ya'acov Shimoni.

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Dr. Egon Tome, Director of radio and television programmes in Ljubljana, Yugoslavia, on Tuesday called on the Knesset Speaker, Mr. Kadish Luz. He was accompanied by Mr. Zvi Zinder, Director of the Israel Broadcasting Service.

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Sgan-Aluf Yosef Carmel, the President's Aide, represented Mr. Ben-Zvi at a reception given by the Australian Minister at the Dan Hotel yesterday in honour of Australia Day. The President of the Supreme Court, Foreign Ministry officials, and the Diplomatic Corps were among the large number of guests. Earlier, the Minister, Mr. B. C. Ballard, called on the Acting Director-General of the Foreign Ministry to inform him that he would be leaving next month on completion of his mission — after four-and-a-half years of service here.

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Mr. Shmuel Naor was elected President of the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Junior Chamber of Commerce at the Chamber's annual general meeting this week. A new Board of Directors was also elected.

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Les Frères Jacques were on Tuesday the luncheon guests of Kibbutz Mishmar Hanegev. In Beersheba, they visited the Arid Zone Research Institute and the archaeological excavations at Bir es-Safadi. In the evening they gave two performances in Beersheba. Tickets were sold out a week in advance.

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The Jerusalem Rotary Club will hold a business meeting today at 1.15 p.m. at the Y.M.C.A.

Mr. G. Schocken will address the Haifa Rotary Club today on "Forty years of 'Ha'aretz,'" at the Appinger Hotel, 1 p.m.

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MEMORIAL MEETINGS

A memorial meeting for the late Prof. Alfred Bonné will be held today, at 6.15 p.m., at the Eliezer Kaplan School on the Hebrew University campus. Speakers will be Profs. J. Katz, R. Bachi, S. H. Bergman, D. Patinkin, and Drs. Y. Bershling and G. Baer.

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A memorial meeting marking the 30th day after the death of Dr. S. Z. Cheshin, late Deputy President of the Supreme Court, will be held tomorrow at 6 p.m. in the Wise Auditorium at the Hebrew University Campus.

Shazar to Amsterdam Jewish Conference

LYDDA AIRPORT. — The Chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, Mr. Z. Shazar, the Agency's Director-General, Dr. M. Avidor, and the Chairman of Yad Vashem, Dr. A. L. Kubovi, left by El Al yesterday to attend a world conference of Jewish organizations in Amsterdam, opening Friday.

Mr. Shazar and Dr. Avidor, who will be observers, will ask the Material Claims Conference to give financial support to Hebrew education in Europe.

Dr. Kubovi is to propose that the conference initiate an international conference of Jewish and non-Jewish intellectuals to draw up plans to combat anti-Semitism.

Yad Vashem hopes to derive half of its IL670,000 current budget and half of its building budget (IL1.2m.) through Material Claims Conference grants. *(Itim)*

LYDDA FLIGHTS
WEDNESDAY

ARRIVALS: K.L.M. 525, from Amsterdam and Rome — 2105. B.E.A. 136, from London, Rome and Athens — 2340. Cyprus Airways 82, from London, Rome, Istanbul, Ankara and Nicosia — 2350. Air France 138, from Teheran — 0020. Swissair 330, from Zurich and Athens — 0110. El Al 416, from London, Paris and Rome — 0130.

DEPARTURES: El Al 415, to Rome and London — 0700. Olympic 615, to Nicosia and Athens — 0810. Air France 138, to Teheran — 0120.

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Durban Police Swoop Down On Cato Manor, Hold 250 Africans

DURBAN (Reuter). — A strong police force led by an armoured vehicle yesterday morning swooped down on a section of Cato Manor, near here, where nine policemen, including four White, were killed on Sunday by a raging mob of hundreds of Africans.

Behind the armoured car followed a convoy of 17 riot vans, trucks and jeeps crammed with armed White and 100 non-White police under "riot-specialist," Major Jerry van der Merwe.

In a two-hour raid, they arrested 250 African men and women, many of them carrying children. No incidents were reported.

By 5 a.m. (local time) most of the occupants of shacks had been rounded up and, accompanied by armoured vehicles, eight trucks were loaded with Africans and left for Cato Manor police station. The raiding party continued to "mop up," and, when trucks returned, three of them were filled with more men and women.

Major van der Merwe said the raid was to search for blood-stained clothing or weapons, particularly five service revolvers belonging to the dead White policemen and another who was injured on Sunday.

The raiding party reportedly found some bush knives and a piece of sharpened steel bearing what appeared to be bloodstains.

Illicit Stills

The nine policemen lost their lives when they were hacked and stoned to pieces by the African mob after going to the township to raid illicit liquor stills.

The arrival of the convoy was heralded by an outburst of barking dogs. With the armoured vehicle throwing a spotlight on the scene about 50 shacks were pinpointed for a search.

While the African constables lined the road, the White policemen carrying rifles and stenguns moved among the shacks. The occupants were awakened by the police and soon a steady stream of men, women and children moved towards the road where they were conducted to the waiting vehicles.

On the surrounding hills Africans, emerging from their shacks, stood silently watching as the convoy moved away leaving behind 50 empty shacks. At Cato Manor police station a quadrangle was packed with those taken into custody.

Art Scholarships For Study Abroad

Jerusalem Post Bureau

TEL AVIV. — The America-Israel Cultural Foundation has opened its 1960 competition for scholarships for study abroad in painting and sculpture.

Applications must be in before February 19. Candidates should be under 35, have completed their military service and have exhausted all possibilities of further study in Israel.

The winners will be announced in mid-March.

Application forms and further particulars may be obtained by writing to the America-Israel Cultural Foundation, 32 Allenby Road, Tel Aviv.

Courts Snowed Under With Backlog of Pending Cases

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The backlog of court cases has grown between 15 and 30 per cent in the past year, depending upon the court and the city, Judge Yehoshua Eisenberg, Director of Courts, has told *The Jerusalem Post*.

The Bathyscaphe's Swiss designer, Prof. Auguste Piccard, who descended to a record depth of over seven miles in the Pacific last Saturday, said in Lausanne yesterday that a fish seen near the bottom proved that life could exist at enormous pressure. Piccard said his son, Jacques, who took part in the dive to 37,800 feet, had telephoned him that a fish about one foot long had been seen through one of the portholes at a depth of about 37,700 feet. The generally accepted view was that life could not exist at this depth because of the water's enormous pressure.

Although the judges are doing their utmost to catch up, more and more cases are being submitted, swelling the number of those awaiting hearings.

The situation is most serious in the district courts, where there has been a sharp upswing in the number of damages suits and criminal cases, especially serious offences and espionage. It frequently takes two years before a case is heard.

The backlog is greatest in Jerusalem.

Supreme Court

In the Supreme Court, petitions and criminal appeals are up to date; other cases wait six months for a hearing. In the Magistrates' courts, there is a time lag of 4-6 months. The traffic courts, except for those in Tel Aviv, are making sharp inroads into the backlog and should be "up to date" within four months.

It is hoped to reduce the great number of pending cases by appointing additional magistrates and judges, and renting new quarters for them to hold court. Four new traffic magistrates should be appointed in Tel Aviv during the coming fiscal year, making eight traffic magistrates and two regular magistrates working on traffic cases. A District Court Judge is to be appointed in Jerusalem.

Lack of Space

"Aside from these, it is impossible to add another single judge for lack of courtroom and office space," Judge Eisenberg said.

At present, Judge Eisenberg, together with Aluf Dan Even of the Ministry of Transport, are searching for a suitable building in Tel Aviv which can house all ten traffic courts. One courtroom will soon be finished in Beersheba; work on another has started in Ashkelon and building of a third is to start in Rehovot in April.

It is planned to lay the corner stone of a IL5m. court house this July in Tel Aviv. The building will be ready for occupancy in three or four years.

Plans to build a Supreme Court building in the Kirya in Jerusalem have not materialized.

Attacking the backlog by administrative means, the district courts have recently started asking both sides to an appeal — provided it was not an unduly complicated case — to prepare written briefs. This has saved time by dispensing with actual pleadings.

Under instructions from Justice Olshan, President of the Court, the Supreme Court has also initiated this system in the Supreme Court.

AHARON Malchi, a T.W.A. official suspected of complicity in the smuggling of hundreds of thousands of pounds worth of electrical appliances, was denied bail yesterday by the Tel Aviv District Court Judge, Michael Harpazi. He was arrested on January 20 and two days later was remanded for 15 days by the Tel Aviv Magistrate.

Scalpers Scalp Kids

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Jerusalem ticket scalpers hit a new low on Monday afternoon when they cornered a block of tickets at the Eden cinema for the film "The Son of Tarzan" — a picture approved for children by the Ministry of Education and Culture.

Scores of children paid 40 agorot for a 25-agora ticket.

"Why don't the police come and rescue us like they do in the movies?" one child wailed plaintively.

English Year Book Out; Updated to End of '59

The English edition of the 1959-60 Government Year Book, which has just appeared, includes all the material contained in the Hebrew edition plus recent appointments and election results up-dated to the end of 1959. The Hebrew edition, published in October, covered developments up to the end of the Hebrew year of 5719.

The volume's 563 pages also include an 80-page review of "Israel's Security and her International Position Before and After the Sinai Campaign," by Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion; surveys of the activities of the President's Office, the Knesset, the various Ministries, the State Controller's Office and the Bank of Israel, and special surveys of the country's agricultural and industrial development.

Reproduced in Mr. Ben-Gurion's essay are the full texts of his correspondence with President Eisenhower and Marshal Bulganin following the Sinai Campaign.

Published by the Government Printer, the volume sells for IL4.50.

Popular Housing Owners May Be Able to Buy Land

POST Economic Reporter

A decision in principle to offer for sale the land on which Popular Housing estates are built to the apartment owners themselves, was taken yesterday by the Ministerial Economic Committee. The decision pertains to Popular Housing, and Savings for Housing schemes in the cities and large towns. No agricultural land will be offered for sale.

Although no final details have been worked out, it is believed that the price of the land will amount to about IL500 per basic unit (approximately a 2½-room flat in a multi-storey building). Easy terms will be offered to purchasers, who will be required to put down only a modest initial payment. It is understood that the purchase of the land by the apartment owners will not be compulsory.

Appointments To Marketing Boards

The Minister of Agriculture, Aluf Moshe Dayan, yesterday made a list of new appointments to head the various production and marketing boards under the jurisdiction of the Ministry, the Ministry spokesman announced.

Mr. Haim Gen, the director of the Ministry's Economic Department, was appointed to head the Beef and Mutton Production and Marketing Board, replacing Mr. Yitzhak Levy, the Director-General of the Ministry.

Mr. Avraham Ofer was appointed to head the Vegetable Production and Marketing Board and the Egg and Poultry Marketing Board. The former was previously headed by the former Deputy Ministry of Agriculture, Mr. Ze'ev Tsur, and the latter by Mr. Yitzhak Levy.

Mr. Levy was appointed to head the Milk Production and Marketing Board, which was formerly headed by Mr. Tsur.

In answer to a question, the spokesman said that Mr. Ofer has not yet been appointed to the post of Deputy Director-General for Economic Affairs, as his application in response to the tender for that position is still being considered. He said, however, that his appointment to head the two production and marketing boards was quite apart from his application for the post of Deputy Director-General.

THE TIBERIAS hot springs are to be open again on Saturday evenings at the end of the Sabbath following Mayor Czahar's intervention with the Rabbinate. It had earlier charged the baths were profaning the Sabbath by opening on Saturday evening.

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ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME
522, 236.4 & 249 M.

News: Hebrew: 6.30, 7.00 and 7.58 a.m. 1.30, 5.00, 7.00, 9.00 and 11.00 p.m.

English: 2.00 p.m. **French:** 2.15 p.m.

6.30 a.m. Religious Service (R). 6.37 Exercises. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.17 Morning Melodies. 8.00 Close Down.

11.00 a.m. Popular Concert: Dvorak: Husitic Overture; Corelli: Oboe Concerto; Smetana: "Sarka"; Zandonai: Cavalcade from "Romeo & Juliet"; Meyerbeer: March. 12.00 Women's Programme. 12.30 Lunchtime Music. 1.00 Haydn: Symphony No. 49 in F-minor (Conductor Leo Blech); Glinka: Waltz-Fantasy. 1.45 Where to Go? 2.30 Close Down.

4.30 Special Foreign Language Programme. 5.05 Songs & Dances at Your Request. 5.35 Language Corner. 5.50 Intermezzo. 5.55 "Fruit & Flower." 6.00 Youth Corner. 6.30 Tunes by Irving Berlin. 7.20 Hebrew Songs. 7.40 "Reaping" — Agricultural Bag. 7.55 Announcements on Kol Yisrael Programmes. 8.00 "Charlie's Aunt" — a Musical Play by Frank Loesser. 8.25 From Oriental Experience. 8.50 Bible Reading: Yeshayahu, Chaps. 45 & 46. 9.10 Political Commentary. 9.15 Newsreel. 9.30 "Once Upon a Time" — ed. by A. Ettinger. 10.05 Cello Recital by Uzi Wiesel, at the Piano Ruth Menze: Boccherini: Adagio & Allegro; Stravinsky: 3 Movements from the Suite in the Ancient Style; Chopin: Polonaise. 10.30 A Glimpse at Israel. 10.35 Light Music. 11.10 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
460, 287, 437.4 & 33.3 M.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: 6.15 Hebrew-Mograbit Lesson. 6.30 News in Easy Hebrew. 6.45 Polish. 7.00 French. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Talk by E. Segula of the Education & Culture Office in Belgrad. 8.15 Israel Composers: P. Ben-Haim: Piano Music 1957, played by V. Nishri; E. Yarden: Two Miniatures, played by A. Sachs; A. Gelbrun: 5 Capricci & 4 Preludes, played by G. Amital. 9.00 Ladino. 9.30 Rumanian. 9.45 Hungarian. 10.00 News in English.

ARABIC PROGRAMME
407 & 41.7 M.

Arabic Programme (including News): 6.30-7.15 a.m. 1.15-2.15 5.00-11.15 p.m.

KOL YISRAEL LAGOLA (33.3 M.): Programme to the U.K.: 10.30 News. 10.40 Tune of the Week. 10.45 Talking Things Over.

Programme to South Africa: 6.15 News. 6.25 From the Federation. 6.30 New York Times Youth Forum.

ARMY PROGRAMME (215, 282 and 235 M.): 6.00 Opening. 6.03 Songs. 6.40 "Science in Uniform." 6.55 Announcements. 7.00 News. 7.10 Songs. 7.30 Nations' Songs. 8.00 "Bamahane." 8.15 Military Music. 8.30 Air Force Orchestra. 9.00 News. 9.15 Weekly Symphony Concert: Works by Brahms & Shostakovitch. 10.30 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (30.26, 25.12, 19.76, 19.46 & 16.86 M.): 7.15-7.45 p.m. News. News Comment. In the Jewish World.

MUSIC U.S.A. VOICE OF AMERICA—English Programme: 5.00, 6.00 and 7.00 a.m. News. U.N. Review and Music on 25 and 31 M. 8.00, 9.00 and 10.00 a.m. News. The American Journal on 19 M. 3.00 p.m. News. Arts in America on 11, 13 and 19 M. 4.00 and 5.00 p.m. News. U.N. Review and Music on 19 and 25 M. 6.00 p.m. News. Arts in America on 11, 19, 25, 31 and 41 M. 7.00 p.m. News. Near East Notebook on 13, 19 and 25 M. 7.30 p.m. Listener's Log on 13, 19 and 25 M. 8.00 p.m. News. African Notebook on 19 and 25 M. 9.00 and 10.00 p.m. News. Music U.S.A. on 19 and 25 M. 11.00 p.m. News. Arts in America on 19, 25, 31, 41 M. and 238 K. 11.30 p.m. Perspective (Invitation to Learning) on 25, 31, 41 M. and 238 K. 12.00 p.m. News. Arts in America on 25, 31, 41 M. and 238 K.

CYPRUS BROADCASTING SERVICE — English Programme (43 & 495 M.): News: 7.30 a.m. 2.00, 7.00, 11.00 p.m.

7.45 a.m. The Coca Cola Programme. 8.00 Melodies & Memories. 8.30 Housewives' Choice. 9.00 Miniature Concert. 9.30 Strange Last Words. 9.45 Piano Playtime. 10.00 The Melody Dance Band. 10.30 Edmundo Ross. 11.00 The Final Year. 11.15 Light Music. 11.30 Women's Magazine. 12.00 Mid-day Melodies. 2.15 p.m. "The Name is Shane." 2.30 Wednesday Matinee. 6.45 The Lanitis Programme. 7.15 I Give and Bequeath. 10.00 Emergency. 10.15 Stars of Song. 10.30 Teller of Tales.

BUSINESS DIARY
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THIS WEEK:
P. Sapir on Economic
Policy for 1960-1963

The Weizmann Institute of Science
Guest Lecture (in English)
by
Prof. Philip Morrison,
of Cornell University, U.S.A.
on
Problems of Flight in Space
Thursday, January 28, 1960, 8.30 p.m.,
at the Wix Auditorium, Rehovot.
The public is invited.

Survey on Proposal To Fix Phone Call Charge

The post office is conducting a survey to determine whether the public favours a legal ceiling on the price charged by telephone subscribers for calls made on their phones.

A pre-paid post card currently being distributed in mail boxes throughout the country notes that many complaints have been received of exorbitant fees being charged for calls made from pharmacies, restaurants and the like. The card warns that if a reasonable ceiling price is set, the ruling could not oblige a telephone subscriber to permit the use of his phone for that price.

Engineers to Check Dialling Complaints

The procedure to be used to study the accuracy of the automatic telephone dialling system has been agreed upon between the Postmaster-General, Mr. Hayim Ben-Menahem, and the two neutral engineers appointed by the High Court of Justice to conduct the study, it has been officially announced. The two men are Mr. Meir Lo-Zar, Director of the Signals Branch of the Israel Railways, and Mr. Yoeli, a lecturer at the Technion.

It was agreed that the investigators would be allowed to:

- enter freely telephone centrals and other postal installations,
- inspect equipment,
- gather evidence from any postal worker without a superior being present,
- study the files of complaints by subscribers and all relevant documents,
- place test calls, at the expense of the Post Office, from phones chosen by the investigators.

ELECTIONS for the Israel Seamen's Union Council began yesterday and will end next month, the Union has announced in Haifa.

MISSING GIRL RETURNS HOME

SAFAD. — Fourteen-year-old Esther Albas, who ran away from home eight days ago, has returned to her parents. She said she had run away because her father had beaten her and because gossip in the town brought her reputation into question.

She said she had gone to Tel Aviv to ask for work in a kibbutz, but had been refused because she had no papers. She then met a girl of her age who let her live at a relative's home. Esther said she now regretted running away and would not do so again.

FARMER JAILED FOR CAUSING DEATH

REHOVOT. — A member of the Matzliah settlement, Joseph Waknil, has been fined IL100 and sent to jail for two months, plus six months suspended, for carelessly handling insecticides that led to a fatality.

Waknil left a poisonous insecticide in an unlabelled soft-drink bottle in his field last May. A 10-year-old boy, Yehoshua Abdulla, drank the contents and died soon after.

EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

JERUSALEM: Hatehiya, Rehov Yeshayahu corner Geula, 2452.

TEL AVIV: Dr. Kohlberg, 23 Allenby Rd., 23335. Ben Yehuda, 142 Ben Yehuda, 23535. Yehuda Halevi, 91 Yehuda Halevi, 65159. Moscovici, 25 King George, 63650. Hadassah, Hatikva Quarter, 32084.

JAFFA: Lerea, 73 Jerusalem Blvd., 82993.

NATANYA: Assuta.

HAIFA: Joseph, 31 Joseph, 4014.

EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS

JERUSALEM: Dr. Z. Oren, 62 Agrippa, 5475. Dr. Y. Shor, 45 Rashi.

TEL AVIV: Dr. Eisen, 5A Shimshon, 25748. Dr. A. Garman, 25 Frischman. Dr. Har-Even, 35 Sheinkin, 25411. Dr. Warren, 15 Soutine, 27027. Dr. Weiss, 73 Dizengoff. Dr. S. Simon, 43 Keren Kayemet, 51374. Dr. M. Maler, 59 Arlosorof, 51300.

HOLON: Dr. Dokor, Block 12A, Shikun Amami, Tel Giborim.

RAMAT GAN: Dr. Sandburg, 63 Bialik. Dr. Rosenblum, 9 Malal (corner 129 Modi'in).

HAIFA: Dr. Sherman, 3 Rehov Hanevi'im.

Where to go

JERUSALEM

- **Spanish Entertainers:—**
Luisillo and his Spanish Theatre Ballet, Edison, 9.
- **Tours:—**
Spend a morning with Hadassah on a conducted tour starting 9 a.m. Book for this tour by phoning 4061, Hadassah Club, Straus Health Centre.
Hebrew University: Conducted tour in English, at 12 noon, daily, New University Campus.

Exhibitions:—
Oils by Naomi Eines, Rina Gallery, 13 Shlomzion Hamalka (entrance Rehov Yanai). Tel. 5910. 10-1, 4-7.
Artists House: 10-1; 4-6: Oils by Sala Russota and Zita Weiss. Mixed-media paintings and linocuts by Frank Rosen and Sydney Goldblatt of South Africa.
Safrai Art Gallery, 37 Jaffa Road, Tel. 63737. Est. 1935. 8-1, 3-7. Friday 8-2. New exhibition: paintings by Nahum Cohen. All purchases mailed upon request.

Bezalel National Museum:—
Permanent exhibition of Jewish Ceremonial Art; Archaeological objects. Primitive Art. Portraits from the Museum's collection; Dutch paintings from the Museum's collection; Graphics by Hermann Struck. 9-1, 2.30-5.
Department of Antiquities, 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech. Special exhibitions: Tel Gath excavations, Chalcolithic ossuaries from Asor. Also permanent exhibition. 9-1; 3-5.

Zoo:—
Jerusalem Biblical Zoo, 9-6.

- **Lecture:—**
Mr. Nathan Mishori: "The Symphony: Berlioz Symphonie Fantastique," Rubin Academy of Music, 8.30 p.m.

TEL AVIV

- **French Vocal Quartet:—**
Les frères Jacques, Ohel Shem, 8.30.
- **Theatre:—**
Habimah: "Twelve Angry Men," 8.30.
Cameri: "Marius", 8.30.
Ohel: "One More River", 8.30.
- **Tourist Service:—**
Visit Hadassah Club, 80 Rehov Hayarkon, Tel. 23239.
Wizo Club, 91 Rehov Hayarkon, Tel. 26825, 8 a.m.—2 p.m.
- **Zoological Gardens:—**
Open 8 a.m.-6 p.m. daily.
- **Exhibitions:—**
Kibbutz Art and Sculpture, Beit Dizengoff, 10-1, 4-7.
"The Group of Ten", exhibit their paintings and sculptures, Helena Rubinstein Pavilion, 10-1, 4-7.
Ancient Glass Exhibition, Museum Ha'aretz, near Ramat Aviv, 1-8.
- **Z.O.A. House:—**
Film Club: "Ivan the Terrible", 7, 9.15.
Tourist Service 9 a.m.—9 p.m.

HAIFA

- **Tourist Centre:—**
Hadassah Club, Youth Aliya Offices, 22 Hehalutz, Tel. 67365.

PETAH TIKVA

- **Israel National Opera:—**
"Madame Butterfly."

RISHON LEZION

- **Yiddish Musical:—**
Benzion Witler, Shifra Lerer: "My Gal", 8.45.

TIBERIAS

- **Yiddish Comedy:—**
Dzigan & Szumacher, Aviv.

TIVON

- **Theatre:—**
Cameri: "A Doll's House", Yuval-Or, 8.30.

Cables in Brief

HEAT. — Four people died and dozens more collapsed yesterday as Sydney's temperature reached more than 104 degrees Fahrenheit (40 degrees C.).

'FLU. — A young Swiss workman has died in a wave of "Asian" 'flu which has affected several hundred people in the Geneva area.

PREMIERS. — General Ne Win and Mr. Chou en-Lai, Burmese and Chinese Prime Ministers, met in Peking yesterday for what observers said appeared to be a major session in their talks. Observers thought it probable the agenda included long-standing problems concerning the Sino-Burmese border.

SPACE. — Six British space experiments will be included in an earth satellite to be launched jointly by the U.S. and Britain late in 1961, it was officially announced on Monday.

DISASTER. — Hans Riistofte, 61-year-old owner-skipper of the pleasure boat Tourist, which went down in flames on a lake near Haderslev, Denmark, last summer with the loss of 57 lives was yesterday given an eight months jail sentence for gross negligence.

TERRORISTS. — Malayan jungle police were rushed to the Thai border yesterday after a clash on Monday between about 14 Communist terrorists and Thai frontier gendarmerie, who reported one terrorist killed and five seriously wounded.

QUEEN. — Ex-Queen Narriman of Egypt, accompanied by 17 trunks, arrived at Cairo airport on Monday night after being away from the country for six years, the Jordan evening paper "El Masa" reported. It quoted her as saying she wished to live permanently in Cairo.

UNFIT. — M. Ange Dannadieu, who was declared unfit for military service by a medical board in 1880, has celebrated his 100th birthday in Bandol, South France.

Cinemas

JERUSALEM
3.30, 6.45, 8.45

ARMON: Imitation of Life.
EDEN: Night of a Quarter Moon.
ORION: Anatomy of a Murder. 3.30, 6, 8.30.
OR-GIL: Some Like It Hot. 6.45, 8.45 only.
ORNA: Blue Jeans.
RON: Mother India.
SEMADAR: Rififi, 7, 9.
ZION HALL: When Hell Broke Loose.
TEL-OR: The Rough and the Smooth.
EDISON: The Flame and the Arrow.
STUDIO: The Wonder Man.

TEL AVIV
3.30, 7.30, 9.30

ALLENBY: Ice Cold in Alex.
ARMON DAVID: The Nun's Story. 6.30, 9.15.
CHEN: Orfeu Negro.
EDEN: Youth of a Woman. 3.30, 7.15, 9.15.
ESTHER: The Journey.
GAT: Les quatres cents coups.
HOD: Honeymoon.
MAXIM: Escucha mi Cancion. 4, 6.15, 8.15.
MIGDALOR: No Trees in the Street.
MOGRABI: Killers of Kilimanjaro.
OPHIR: Nuits d'Europe.
ORION: Too Much Too Soon.
PEER: Hiroshima, mon amour.
SHDEROTH: Les cousins.
TAMAR: La nuit des traqués. 10, 12, 2, 4, 7.15, 9.15.
TCHELET: The Girl and the Paglio.
TEL AVIV: The Best of Everything.
YARON: Brute Force.
ZAMIR: Du rififi chez les femmes. 3.15, 5.30, 7.30, 9.30.

HAIFA
4, 6.45, 9.

ORION: The Wild and the Innocent.
PEER: Le long des trottoirs.
TAMAR: Sailor on Leave.
GAL OR: Club de femmes (Evenings only).
MORIAH: Jacobowsky and the Colonel. 6.45, 9.
ARMON: The Horse Soldiers.
EN DOR: The Storm Rider.
ORLY: The Captain's Table. 6.45, 9.
ATZMON: The Nun's Story. 6.15, 9.
MIRON: La Violetera.
ORAH: The Best Years of Our Lives. 5, 8.15.
AMPHITHEATRE: A Private Affair.
MAY: Joselito.

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Today's Postbag

The Weather

Forecast: Occasional showers in the morning, becoming partly cloudy during the day.

Weather Synopsis: A trough of low pressure in the upper layers extending from Turkey to the southeastern Mediterranean is causing a northerly flow of cold and unstable air in the whole region.

	•A	B	C
Mt. Cana'an	47	2—7	4—6
Tiberias	60	14—15	10—14
Haifa Port	66	9—16	6—15
Natanya	67	7—14	5—13
T. A. Kirya	68	5—15	4—14
T. A. Port	69	8—14	5—13
Lydda Airport	76	4—14	3—13
Jerusalem	89	4—8	4—7
Beersheba	65	3—12	2—12
Sdom	54	11—15	10—14
Eilat	44	5—18	8—17

•A) Humidity at 8 p.m. B) Temperature range yesterday C) Temperature range forecast for today.

Rainfall (in m.m.)

	A	B
Emek Hefer	0.2	378.3
Tel Aviv Port	1.8	188.8
Hakirya	5.8	206.4
Lydda Airport	2.1	161.8
Kiryat Ono	5.4	194.4
Mishmar Hanegev	0.8	40.2

A. Amount of rain in 24 hours ending 8 a.m. Tuesday B. Total since August 1.

ARRIVALS

Mr. Walter Stern, Director of the Ministry of Agriculture's Hydrological Services (by Sabena).

Mr. Herbert Goldstein, General Manager of Sonol, from the U.S. (by Olympic Airways).

DEPARTURES

Mrs. Rose Halperin, Co-chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, to New York (by El Al).

Mr. Ya'acov Herzog, Israel Minister in Washington, after consultations at the Ministry for Foreign Affairs (by El Al).

Mr. David Ferdman, Chargé d'Affaires of the Cuban Legation, to Geneva.

Mr. Zvi Infeld, General Secretary of the South African Zionist Federation; Mr. David Wachs, Director of the Publicity Department; and Judge Haim Bloch, to Johannesburg, after a month's visit (by El Al).

38 SETTLEMENTS of the 41 in Emek Hefer yesterday held elections for their 57-member Regional Council. Kibbutz Bahan, Kibbutz Yad Hannah and Giv'at Shapiro were excluded owing to a technicality.

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MASKIT has concluded an agreement with the Institute of the Blind at Shfaram for the purchase of rugs and handwoven cloth. As of next month, the blind weavers will be put on a salary of IL5 a day.

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SOME 75 per cent of the populace need eye glasses, while only a tiny percentage bothered to have their eyes checked, the 24th Annual Convention of the Optometrists Association at Z.O.A. House was told yesterday.

I.P.O. Gets Go-Ahead On 'Figaro' Import

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Inter-ministerial Committee on Foreign Artists yesterday gave formal approval to the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra's invitation to the La Scala Opera Singers to perform Mozart's "The Marriage of Figaro" here next month. The invitation to the La Scala troupe to give 13 performances in Israel was issued some time ago.

Meanwhile, the Israel National Opera has called upon all Government bodies and the Israel public to "defend Israel opera against the competition" of imported opera.

In a broadside distributed on Monday night at the Edison Theatre in Jerusalem during a performance of "La Bohème," the Opera declared that "if there is any need to invite foreign operatic talents, that is the function of the I.N.O., and the Philharmonic has no right to trespass into this area."

Jabotinsky's Sister Buried in Tel Aviv

TEL AVIV. — The sister of the late Vladimir Jabotinsky, Mrs. Tamar Kopp, was buried yesterday in the Old Cemetery in Rehov Trumpeldor. She died on Monday, aged 84.

Her son, Mr. Yona Tamir-Kopp, recited the Mourner's *Kaddish* at the grave. Among those to pay their last respects were Mr. Menahem Begin, M.K., and other leaders of the Herut movement.

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Bill to Regulate Adoption Re-introduced to Knesset

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

One year after he presented a similar bill to the Third Knesset, Minister of Justice Pinhas Rosen yesterday presented to the Knesset for its first reading an Adoption Bill, which is designed to fill a serious gap in Israel legislation.

Mr. Rosen noted that Supreme Court Justices, in leading judgments, had several times called attention to the need for putting adoption matters on a firm legal basis. Israel is practically the only country in the world without an adoption law.

Adoption matters are now governed by the Court Regulations (Adoption) promulgated by the Minister of Justice in 1955. But these deal with the procedural aspect only. Substantive questions, such as the nature of the relationship between adopter and adoptee or the prerequisites for adoption are not now the subject of any statute.

Although the bill's predecessor in the Third Knesset did not reach its second reading, the Public Services Committee did complete its discussion, and the new bill reflects a few changes adopted by that committee.

Rabbinical Courts Too

Whereas last year's bill gave the district courts exclusive authority to issue adoption orders, the new draft gives the rabbinical court parallel jurisdiction, i.e. if the parents, the adopter and the adoptee agree. Where the prospective adoptee is too young to decide, the social welfare officer may agree in his stead.

Another new feature in the bill is the provision that the Courts' Registrar keep a Register of Adoptions.

The good of the child is declared to be the criterion in deciding on an adoption, and in this respect the bill follows Jewish law.

The basic principle of the bill is that adoption creates between adopter and adoptee all the obligations and rights which normally exist between parent and child; it terminates the obligations and rights existing between the adoptee and his true parents and blood relatives.

No adoption order will be issued before the child has lived with the prospective adopting parents for a six-month trial period. In general, no adoption will be approved except with the consent of the parents. The consent of the child is also required, if he is old enough to understand.

The bill authorizes the court to void any consent given by the parents before the child's birth.

Mr. Rosen said that the question of whether Jewish law recognizes the concept of adoption was really one of terminology. But while the form of guardianship in Jewish law might be called adoption, Jewish law did not, as a matter of principle, grant the adopted child the same rights as one born to the parents.

Debate was deferred.

Kanev for Higher Pensionable Age

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The pensionable age for both men and women should be raised, according to Mr. Yitzhak Kanev, head of Kupat Holim.

Speaking on Tuesday before a plenary session of the Council of the National Insurance Institute, he declared that "in the present generation, the life expectancy of men has increased by 14 years, of women by 17 years. The country cannot economically afford to let healthy men and women, reaching the ages of 65 and 60 respectively, retire."

Dr. Giora Lotan, Director-General of the Institute, proposed raising the payments for Old Age and Survivor Insurance from the present rate of 2.9 per cent to 4.5 per cent.

In the debate, Mrs. Magda Cohen, of the Beit Hehalutzot organization, proposed that the Insurance scheme be extended to housewives. Dr. Lotan pointed out that it would place an intolerable financial burden on many housewives.

The Council's session opened with Mr. Mordecai Namir, the outgoing Chairman of the Council, welcoming Dr. Giora Josephthal, the new Chairman. The Council Chairman is *ex-officio* the Minister of Labour.

New B'sheba Hospital Gets First Patient

BEERSHEBA. — The first patient to be accepted at the new Kupat Holim Hospital in Beersheba was an 8½-year-old, red-haired, freckle-faced boy, Hanoni Shivoshevski.

The boy on Monday jumped off a cart while playing and broke his hand.

He was brought for treatment early on Tuesday. His arm was X-rayed and put in a plaster cast.

NRP Wants to Alter Inheritance Bill

POST Knesset Reporter

The National Religious Party would strive, in the Knesset Law Committee, to base the Inheritance Bill on Jewish law, Dr. Zerah Wahrhaftig said yesterday, in the conclusion of the debate on the bill.

In inheritance matters — unlike purely money matters — deviation from the Torah law was inconceivable. He also said that Jewish law gave the widow and daughters real equality with the sons by awarding them maintenance from the estate, as opposed to the "artificial equality" the bill would grant.

Mr. Israel Bar-Yehuda (Ahdut Ha'avoda) declared that the Knesset could not be bound by ancient laws and precedents. Although ancient Jewish law was far in advance of its contemporaries, it could not remain static. As a matter of fact, even Jewish law had undergone a constant process of change. Today Jewish law was the law passed by the Knesset.

Mr. Schneour Zalman Abramov (General Zionist) welcomed the bill in that it provided a single, uniform law for all citizens, without regard to religion or nationality. But he thought that the bill went too far in allowing "freedom of bequest"; family ties could not be ignored. Mr. Abramov took issue with his party colleague, Mr. Moshe Nissim, who said on Monday that the child of a Jewish father and gentile mother should not be permitted to inherit from the father.

The Minister's reply was deferred.

Must Treat Tourists Well—B-G

POST Knesset Reporter

The Prime Minister yesterday warned hoteliers, hotel employees, taxi drivers, and all other persons who do business with tourists that they would be the first to suffer from profiteering or any shady practices.

He was replying in the Knesset to a question by Dr. S. Junitchman (Herut), who among other things mentioned that a tourist who orders a cup of hot water is sometimes charged for a cup of coffee.

Mr. Ben-Gurion said that while the Government Tourist Corporation takes whatever action it can when it gets complaints of this sort, the law does not cover every eventuality. Administratively, the Corporation is part of the Prime Minister's office.

Mr. Ben-Gurion also said that 200 additional hotel rooms for tourists would be available by Passover.

District Court's Local Election Ruling Final

The Supreme Court yesterday ruled that it cannot reverse a district court ruling on the validity of local council elections.

The judgment was given in response to an appeal against the invalidation by the Tel Aviv District Court of the elections in Kalansawa village, in the Little Triangle.

Justice M. Silberg noted that it would be unjust to allow local councils a higher court of appeal than municipalities.

The Court was composed of Justices Dr. S. Agranat, Dr. M. Silberg and Mr. M. Landau. *(Itim)*

Identifiable Ballot Declared Invalid

A ballot bearing any mark capable of identifying the person who cast it is invalid, according to a regulation gazetted yesterday by the Ministry of the Interior.

The regulation, which applies to local council elections, was issued after a court had ruled in an election appeal that marked ballots are valid.

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2 TA Timber Shops Destroyed by Fire

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — In one of the most spectacular fires in the Tel Aviv area in recent years two carpentry shops at 14 Rehov Hasbach, corner Rehov Abulafia, were completely destroyed on Tuesday.

Tel Aviv and Holon fire brigades fought the flames for 11 hours, and were at the site until until 4 p.m. When firemen arrived at 11 on Monday night, flames were soaring 20 metres into the sky.

Damage was estimated at about IL40,000. The cause of the fire has not been determined, and there is little likelihood now of police investigators finding out how it started.

The carpentry shops, belonging to Messrs. Freifeld and Zucker, were insured.

The alarm was given by a neighbour.

The firemen were hindered in extinguishing the blaze by the way the timber was stored in the shops — upright and practically filling the entire area. They succeeded, however, in preventing the fire's spread to nearby carpentry shops and a cardboard box factory only five metres from one of the burning buildings.

Candelabras Out of Season

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA.— The sight of a man carrying a large silver candelabra down a Beersheba street yesterday morning, nearly a month after Hanukka aroused the suspicions of a policeman. On being questioned, the man admitted having stolen it the night before.

The policeman, Mosne Raymond, 30, who immigrated from India about six months ago, was off duty.

Police are investigating the man's possible connection with several other burglaries.

U.S. Sailor Gets 5 Years for Killing

HAIFA. — An American seaman was sentenced to five years' imprisonment for manslaughter yesterday by the District Court.

When the verdict was translated, the accused, Gale Cooper, 26, tried to break away from his gaolers. The police had difficulty in restraining him and taking him back to jail.

The killing occurred on March 13, 1959 aboard the American freighter Alcoa Pioneer. Cooper's room-mate, a messman, Thomas Keegan, 37, returned to the ship after shore leave at 2 a.m. and found the cabin door locked and Cooper inside. He banged on the door until Cooper opened. They quarrelled, and Cooper went to the galley, picked up a knife and stabbed Keegan in the abdomen.

Defence counsel A. Lebhar pleaded that Cooper was liable to fits of aggressiveness as result of a head injury suffered in a road accident.

The court was composed of President Y. Azulai, and judges Eugenia Winogradov and Y. Kahan. Mr. Y. Karp of the District Attorney's office prosecuted. The American Consul, Mr. Philip Mangano, was present during the hearing.

Mandy Disgusted With Poor Training Turnout

TEL AVIV. — The trainer of the National Soccer Team, Mr. Giula Mandy, threatened to wash his hands of the preparations for the forthcoming Olympic games after 11 footballers of the 32 invited failed to turn up for a workout at the Herzliya training quarters yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Mandy called off the training, declaring: "If things continue this way, I can't take responsibility for preparing the National Team." The first round of games is against Greece and Yugoslavia in April.

New Corridor Roads Cut For Farms and Forests

By MALKA RABINOWITZ, Jerusalem Post Reporter

Nineteen strategic kilometres of highway cut through rocky terrain of the Jerusalem Corridor's northern frontier have recently opened 40,000 dunams to afforestation and farming. Running as close as 20 metres from the border, the roads have also reduced the danger of infiltration in a desolate border trouble spot that has until now been difficult to patrol.

Mr. Yosef Weitz, Head of the Jewish National Fund Land Development Department, made these points yesterday as he conducted a press convoy in the first civilian tour over the new roads built by the J.N.F. He said 80 per cent of the area now made accessible by the roads would be planted with trees. Only some 20 per cent was suitable for farming.

Built in three sections, the road leaves the Capital at the Sanhedriya quarter and continues along the border to join the main highway at Motza. A second stretch begins at Beit Nekofa, circles round the Kiryat Anavim area and then backtracks to join the highway. This section is to be connected to a third stretch which runs behind Sha'ar Hagai, from Shoeva, and which leads into the highway at the Latrun junction.

Short Cut to Beersheba

Security and settlement conditions have also improved along the J.N.F.-built road which has been hewn along the southern frontier of the Corridor, through the Adulam hill region. This road will eventually be extended to Beersheba, linking it to Jerusalem by 64 kilometres of road instead of the present 114.

The region's Border Police commander told the press that the job of patrolling the area would be considerably eased by the road, which parallels the border at a distance of 40 to 400 metres. Until now, the closest roads were from four to seven kilometres away.

Mr. Weitz said the new approaches had already made possible the planning of afforestation and farm work on 100,000 dunams of the Adulam region. A survey is now being carried out to determine how to exploit the 300,000 additional dunams that will be made accessible by the extension of the road to Beersheba.

This road should be completed by next year, he said.

Conservative Jewry To Meet Here in '61

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The newly established World Council of (Conservative) Synagogues will hold its first convention in Jerusalem in the spring of 1961, Rabbi Bernard Segal, Executive Director of the Council, told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday. The cornerstone for the Council's world centre will be laid in Jerusalem, then as well, Rabbi Segal added.

Rabbi Segal is a member of the Executive Board of the United Synagogues of America, which is a founding member of the Council.

Conservative synagogues from 18 countries have joined the Council, which was founded last November.

Rabbi Segal was received yesterday by Prime Minister Ben-Gurion and the Director-General of the Prime Minister's Office, Mr. Teddy Kollek.

Police Pennant Raised at Shfaram

HAIFA. — The police force has now its own pennant, and yesterday morning Police Minister Mr. Behor Shitreet hoisted it on the pole of the parade ground at the Shfaram training depot.

At a ceremony to mark the occasion, a detachment of constables handed the flag over to the Minister, who in turn entrusted it to the depot's cadets.

Capital's Water Prospects Bright

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Water experts are optimistic that several more wells will be found in the Jerusalem area, Chief Commissioner Mordecai Ish-Shalom on Tuesday told the Commission.

He noted that several months ago Mekorot sank a well near the Ein Karim dam which was now supplying 2,500 cubic metres of water a day. Jerusalem's daily requirements are 20,000 cubic metres.

The Commission also approved the building of a small reservoir, costing IL60,000, in Ir Ganim. Two more reservoirs are planned to help regulate the distribution of water.

The Commission approved bids for building two schools, Ma'ale and Arlosoroff, at a total cost of IL300,000.

In closing the session, the Chief Commissioner noted that it might be the last one.

Israel Gives Back Mt. Zion Monastery

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Israel Government has decided to restore the Greek Orthodox Monastery of the Holy Trinity on Mt. Zion to its owners, the Greek Orthodox Patriarchate in Jerusalem, a Patriarchate spokesman told *The Jerusalem Post* on Tuesday. The Monastery was requisitioned by the Israel authorities in 1948 for security reasons.

The spokesman said that the Minister for Religious Affairs, Rabbi Ya'acov Moshe Toledano, informed the Greek Orthodox Patriarch of Jerusalem, Benedictus I, of the Government decision. The Patriarch had crossed the lines from Jordan into Israel for an official meeting at the Ministry. He returned to Jordan on the same day.

A Ministry spokesman said that a six-man parity committee has been appointed by the two parties to assess damages and to iron out other questions connected with the transfer.

It is understood that the Israel Army retains the right to use certain parts of the buildings should the need arise.

Damage Restitution

The committee will also discuss compensation for damage to the seventh century Monastery of the Holy Cross in Jerusalem, which was restored to the Patriarchate last October.

A Patriarchate spokesman estimated repairs to the two monasteries at IL100,000.

No date has been set for the evacuation of the Monastery on Mt. Zion. The building is presently used by the Mt. Zion Committee, which has its offices there and a permanent Israel religious art exhibition.

Last week the Government announced the return of the Franciscan monastery of *ad Coenaculum* on Mt. Zion to its owners. Still in Israel Government hands on Mt. Zion is the Roman Catholic convent.

IL1m. in Abandoned Property Returned

NAZARETH. — Abandoned property worth well over IL1m. was recently released and returned to its Arab owners by the Custodian of Absentee Property, *The Jerusalem Post* was informed on Monday.

Some of the owners left the country in 1948 but returned shortly afterwards. Others moved from their original places of residence to other towns and villages, mainly in Galilee.

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Citrus Sea Freight Rates Raised 5%

LYDDA AIRPORT. — The British, Swedish and Israel members of the British Conference Lines have unanimously decided to raise citrus freight rates by five per cent, from five shillings and threepence to 5s 6d per crate. The increase is expected to cover losses incurred in hauling fruit from Israel.

This was announced yesterday by Mr. John Baron, General Manager of the British Prince Line, who headed a Conference delegation that left yesterday after a week of consultations with the Citrus Marketing Board.

Returning home with Mr. Baron were Messrs. James Paton, of the British Moss Hutchison line; Otto Torsen, of the Swedish Fred Olson line, and Stig Gorton, of the Swedish Gorton line. *(Itim)*

Postponement of Cartels Law Asked by Court

A recommendation to the Minister of Commerce and Industry to delay the implementation of the Cartels Law was made yesterday by Tel Aviv District Court Judge Y. Lamm. The Law is to take effect from January 28.

The judge was ruling on the request of the Avraham Milstein and Sons Gravel Quarry for a declarative judgment in connection with a cartel arrangement which the company had concluded with the Quarry Owners Association before the Cartels Law was passed by the Knesset.

Under the law all cartels are outlawed except those specifically approved by the Cartels Council, to be set up under the law. Since the Council has not yet been established and a Cartels Law Administrator was only appointed on January 12, the appellants asked that the Court hand down a declaratory judgment authorising their arrangement unless expressly forbidden by the Cartels Council.

Judge Lamm declined to issue the requested declaratory judgment as not being provided for by the Cartel Law. He admitted, however, the validity of part of the appellants' plea and consequently recommended that the Minister of Commerce and Industry delay implementation of the law until application can be made to validate existing agreements.

Safad Metal Workers Out on Hunger Strike

SAFAD. — A hunger strike by 18 workers from the Astam Metal Works began here yesterday morning, after an ordinary walk-out did not bring them the back pay they say they should have.

Mr. I. Sagiv, Secretary of the Workers Council here, who is in Tel Aviv with representatives of the strikers, is trying to negotiate a solution for Astam's financial problem.

BOTH the first and third prizes of the Independence Day Poster Contest were won by Mr. Kopel Gurvin, a student at the Bezalel School of Art in Jerusalem. He received IL1,500 (IL1,200 plus IL300). The second prize was also won by a Bezalel student, Mr. Zvi Narkiss.

Drilling Resumed at Zohar VI; Gas Blow Out 'A Good Sign'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Drilling operations were resumed yesterday morning at Naphta's latest gas-strike in the Zohar field. A gas blow out last week temporarily halted all operations on the bore hole, Zohar VI.

The eruption of gas is believed to have come from the "Q" strata, a layer of gas-permeated sands at 1,088 metres. The output of the well has not yet been measured and it was capped a short time after the eruption. A mud "cork" sealed off the bore until tools could again be lowered to continue the drilling.

Though the company spokesman declined to comment on the potential output of the new well, the fact that the gas was able to counteract the pressure of the mud and force its way into the bore itself is considered a promising indication. It was also pointed out that the present layer is 48 metres above the Zohar I level — a significant fact which alters previous assumptions regarding the anticline slope, though not necessarily the boundaries of the gas field itself.

Jaffa I, the well being drilled by the National Oil Company, was yesterday reported to have reached a depth of 1,200 metres. Though faint traces of gas have been encountered, the company does not attach any special significance to them, *The Jerusalem Post* was told.

Operations in Jaffa have so far been smooth and uninterrupted. The present level was reached after only 15 days. The final depth of the bore has been set at 2,000 metres.

At present, the drill is boring through a layer of plastic shale, which is similar to that of the Suez oilfield. This was anticipated by the company's geologists, who want to determine whether the shale seals off an oil reservoir, as at Suez.

Paper Mill Protests Hadera Competition

Jerusalem Post Reporter

LYDDA. — The Supra Paper Mill here faces bankruptcy if the Government authorizes the American-Israel Paper Mills at Hadera to manufacture onion skin paper, the management said yesterday during a press tour of the plant.

Supra, which also manufactures high-grade crepe paper, is now the country's only manufacturer of onion skin paper.

A Supra spokesman pointed out that the company's products contain only 10 per cent imported cellulose and 90 per cent domestic salvage supplied to the company by 100 handicapped persons throughout the country. The company employs 45 workers and manufacturers 200 tons of paper a month. He claimed that its products save the Treasury $300,000 annually in imports.

The Hadera plant, on the other hand, which intends to supply the country's entire needs in fine-texture paper, uses only imported cellulose, he pointed out. *(Itim)*

HULA PRESERVE 'FOR RENT'

TIBERIAS. — The J.N.F. wants to lease the entire Hula Nature Preserve to local or foreign interests for 49 years, it is learned from J.N.F. officials in the Hula area. It expects a one-time payment of IL100,000 and an annual rental of IL15,000.

The lessee could exploit the preserve for tourism, the reeds for industry and the lake for fishing.

Kibbutz Hulata has already entered a claim for the fishing rights. Its members have fished the Hula for the past 20 years.

A NUMBER of reservists were among those who graduated a Military Police course on Monday. Aluf-Mishne Zvi Shapir, O.C. Military Police, reviewed the parade.

Tel Aviv Stock Market

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"GERMANY'S DISASTER"

IN the month that has passed since the first of the present rash of swastikas was painted on the new synagogue in Cologne there has been time enough to take stock. However much the Germans would have preferred it, no great conspiracy has been unearthed behind these acts. Only an insignificant proportion of the total of some thousands of daubings were due to any organized action. A feverish search for *agents provocateurs* among the many youths detained in connection with these offences in Germany has revealed a few who admit either to having come from East Germany as saboteurs, or to having been Communist-party inspired, and sent to damage West Germany's name. For most of the others the swastika has simply remained a symbol of anti-Semitism and of German chauvinism and fascism, to be expressed when opportunity offers.

It is here that the great error arises. A youth in Germany today may be too young to remember the period of triumphant Hitlerism, and may know only the bitter aftermath of the war. But the roots of this poison go very deep in European tradition. Throughout the 18th and 19th centuries of the Enlightenment, open Jew-hatred was taboo as barbarous, medieval and shameful, to be practised only in Russia. It remained for Hitler to put this primitive expression of man's discomfort in a changing world back onto the map as something acceptable, and the destruction of the Jews as physically feasible. Hitler was defeated, but the six million dead remain as a gruesome monument to his success in proving that it was possible to destroy Jews and other minorities, however little political purpose there might be to so monstrous a crime.

In Germany at least, there is today also a deep feeling of guilt and fear at having conjured up this catastrophe and having made Nazi Germany a byword of horror by comparison with which Ghengis Khan seemed a playful amateur. Individual anti-semites and budding fascists in other countries are not faced by such deep inhibitions on the part of their fellow nationals and there is a natural inclination in England, for instance, to brush off these manifestations as of no significance.

Yet there is a difference. German youths of today are the sons of fathers who were accustomed to hear it said every day that the Jews were "Germany's disaster." It has been gradually emerging that there has been no systematic attempt to explain to the rising generation in that country and elsewhere that the root of the disaster was not in the Jews themselves, but in the hatred of Jews and in the other race-hatreds that create irrational, insoluble problems.

Conditions are good in Germany today, and its position between East and West has produced a determinedly pacifist generation. This may change, though it will not do so overnight, and when the change comes there may once more be need for a national scape-goat. The price that the prosperous Germany of today must pay for its future sanity and security is the harsh and unpleasant one of teaching today's Germans what Hitlerism meant, without mincing words. The purge of Nazi leaders by the victorious Allies could not have this same effect, for it was the work of the enemy of the months and years before. There have been many in Germany, among them both statesmen, teachers and religious leaders, who have endeavoured to do just this, but it looks as though their public influence may have been outweighed by the former Nazis who are now back in office. The memory of Hitlerism cannot be wiped out; and the world will be sure that it cannot recur only when a full effort has been made to remember what happened, rather than to forget.

Argentina Out of Doldrums

Economy Booms as Peron 'Hangover' is Finally Dispelled

By J. HALCRO FERGUSON

CUBA notwithstanding, the most important news out of Latin America in the last year has not been revolution, but economic progress. In this field the most startling advance has been made by the country which ever since the war has been lagging far behind — Argentina.

Very impressive has been Argentina's development as an oil producer, but far more significant is the fact that after a tour of eight European countries by Senor Alvaro Alsogaray, the Argentine Minister of Economy, private cisatlantic banks have extended $75m. worth of short-term loans without strings to Argentina, of which over $16m. have come from Britain.

A year ago this would have been unthinkable. Argentina, it seemed, would never shake off the hangover from the free-spending, irresponsible Peron epoch of 1945-55. The country's credit had never stood lower, the peso had dropped almost out of sight, industry was bedevilled by constant strikes (largely political) and the cost of living was rising as agricultural production fell.

Today, though political malcontents still hanker for Peron and the days of "I'm all right, Pedro, to the devil with everybody else," the picture has now completely changed. This is basically due to an act of great political courage by President Arturo Frondizi. In the 1958 election, the first held after Peron's fall, Frondizi and his Intransigent Radical Party won handsomely on a programme offering pie in the sky to everybody in a land where ex-Peronists and their opponents would live happily together ever after.

Austerity Works Wonders

Before a year was out it was evident that the country was in a worse mess than ever. So, on July 1, Frondizi called upon a political opponent who had been roundly defeated in the Presidential election on a hard-headed programme of austerity and hard work, a businessman and former soldier called Alvaro Alsogaray. He was virtually given complete charge of the national economy, and by now a disillusioned populace was prepared, by and large, to take its unpleasant medicine.

"The country," an Argentine official told me, "has been making economies without realizing it. There is a completely new spirit since July 1. People realize, at last, that we have to pay for the mistakes we have made. And you can see the results. In two months the peso rate changed from 110 to the dollar to 82.3, and the reserves of the Central Bank rose from $34m. to $222m. This has had a tremendous psychological effect."

Agriculture, neglected under Peron for more showy industries, is to be modernized. Industry itself is concentrating on necessities. One firm alone is turning out 2,500 cars a month; Argentine factories are producing telephones, locomotives and rolling stock; and such manufactures are being exported to neighbouring countries.

Oil Gushes

Above all, at long last oil is beginning to gush. Fear of "foreign economic imperialism" had long kept exploitation in the exclusive and inexpert hands of the Government monopoly, the YPF, so that Argentina, with the highest *per capita* oil consumption in Latin America, was importing all but 35 per cent of her requirements — amounting to the expenditure over the last 10 years of $1,776m. and 78m. cubic metres of oil. In 1958 a reluctant Congress passed a Bill permitting foreign cooperation in exploration and extraction. Last year Alsogaray's policies encouraged foreign companies to participate, and the oil is now flowing. By the end of this year Argentina will be self-sufficient; by 1962 she will be an important exporter.

A pipeline is being built to the remote south, where the largest deposits are, and, logically, new highways are to be built — the first for 15 years. One of the keys to Latin American progress is communications, as witness the huge economic expansion since the war of Brazil, Mexico and Venezuela, hitherto stagnating in islands of isolation. Another block to progress has been the xenophobia born of experience of foreign exploitation. Now both the former exploiters and the one-time exploited seem to have learned their lesson. That proud Argentina should accept know-how and money from Britain, the U.S. (and even Japan) is symptomatic of a major revolution.

When the Latin American histories of the last decade come to be written, this industrial revolution will figure at least as large as the more sensational politico-military eruptions in the smaller Hemisphere nations which tend to hit the contemporary headlines. *(OFNS)*

Quiet Life in Kinneret

By DAVID SLAV
Jerusalem Post Reporter

IF the historic village of Kinneret did nothing to mark the 50th anniversary of its founding last year, it is largely because the villagers had nothing to show: the farms themselves were prosperous, but there were no pavements, no street lights and no facilities of any sort in the village, whose committee did not believe in excessive taxation.

And if the establishment of the Local Council of Kinneret had to wait until this month instead of coinciding with the village's 50th anniversary, the reason is very similar: the farmers were not particularly interested, at least not until the character of the village as an agricultural settlement was first affirmed by the addition of more farmers: right now, only half of Kinneret's 60 families subsist on agriculture.

But the past is gone, and the Minister of Interior has appointed a Local Council made up of the village's younger men, who will take it on themselves to give Kinneret something of a more modern look, including the building of a meeting hall and the improvement of the adjoining beach, which is part of the village's area but has been neglected for years, for lack of owners, although it is one of the most popular bathing and picnic spots on the lake shore.

Of Kinneret's 6,500 dunams, 1,500 belong to the 30 farms, which have won their land from the steep rocky slopes above — and been more than rewarded for the toil: the soil is fertile, water plentiful, and the climate makes it possible to grow winter tomatoes whose success is assured from the start, as well as to supply the whole country with vegetables in the late fall and early spring, when there is still a dearth of them everywhere else.

The village has not developed, but the farmers have grown prosperous: they have built comfortable houses, they have succeeded in keeping their sons at home. The third generation may stay, too, if Kinneret assumes something like the appearance of a modern village: but to meet the cost of the necessary improvements and amenities, something like 40 more farming families are needed. If the right candidates are found, and if they are willing to work like the veterans, who conquered slopes of 30 and 40 per cent gradient that no one believed could be cultivated, the newcomers too will have it good. Meantime, the Jewish National Fund is in the process of clearing 1,500 additional dunams.

NATURE NOTES

Complex as a Feather

EVERY day scientific experiments find new facts to topple all we learned at school. They need not be as revolutionary as Einstein's, but even in a small way it is difficult for old people to unlearn. You have doubtless always thought — if you thought about it at all — that water-birds' feathers and skins were kept dry by the thin layer of oil which the birds spread all over themselves. I know I thought so, and I was also taught that the Cormorants *(Phalacrocorax carbo—Kormoran qadol)* sit in rows and fan themselves so strenuously after fishing because they lack oil-glands, poor things. I have seen them doing it, and you have probably all seen ducks taking oil from their gland, which is situated in a discreet place, and then drawing each feather through their bills. The phrase "like water off a duck's back" is well known. Now comes Professor Fabricius of Stockholm University, a Finn, and experiments: a) He feeds his ducklings on raw, crushed fish — and they lose their waterproofing, regaining it after some days of an insect diet. b) He removes the oil gland from 14 young ducks soon after hatching. They are just as waterproof as normal ones!

The riddle was solved by a Danish ornithologist, H. Madsen: He found that the plumage of "waterproof" birds is arranged with rows of tiny hooks between the barbules — the tiniest feathers branching from the quill — and these hooks hold the entire feather together and prevent water with a normal surface tension from entering between them. Quite another story, what? And the function of the oil gland is a different one too, but too complex for my space.

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Spain Spits Nazism

By R. SCOTT MOWRER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

MADRID. —

- *Hitlerism had one cardinal virtue: sincerity.*
- *The Jews are persecuting the Nazis.*
- *The Nazis' biggest mistake was to have been beaten.*

THESE remarks, and others in a similar vein, appear in the latest issue of a Spanish news magazine called "SP." They are the central theme of an impassioned defence of Nazism by the magazine's editor, Rodrigo Royo.

Royo's article has one cardinal virtue: sincerity. It reflects a nostalgia for the Nazi ideology that has subsisted in influential quarters here ever since the Allies defeated Hitler and Mussolini 15 years ago.

It may be said to have official approval to the extent that it was cleared for publication by the State censorship. Nothing may be published here that is deemed by the authorities to be objectionable. The article says, in part:

> **Is there no compassion any more? I felt compassion for the Jews back in 1941 when I saw the Children of Israel in Grodno (Poland) and Schaulen (Lithuania), the yellow Star of David on their backs and chests, walking in the street because the Nazis forbade them to use the sidewalks. But later, in 1945, I felt compassion for the Nazis too, when the repugnant Nuremberg sentences rewarded military valour and the honour of gentlemen with a hangman's noose, a bullet in the back of the neck, or a concentration camp.**
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> **The Jews today are still being represented as the victims of the Nazis. The irony of this makes me sick. It is the Nazis, these past 15 years, who have been persecuted by the Jews . . . The Nazis are defeated and the Jews are in power. Today the Jews are the persecutors, and the Nazis are the persecuted . . .**
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> **German National-Socialism did some silly things. But not all (of its ingredients) were wrong or unserviceable. As a counter-weight to its defects, Nazism had one great virtue: sincerity . . .**
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> **Nazism committed serious blunders. The worst was to have been defeated.**

Other blunders of Nazism says the article, were its racial doctrine and the extermination of the Jews. But, says Royo, these policies were not as extensively applied as Germany's victors have tried to make out although they were carried out to a degree "that must repel anyone with a Christian conscience." He goes on:

> **Today it is the Jews who are persecuting. When a Nazi dares to paint a swastika on a Zionist synagogue he is doing no more than displaying a kind of audacity, courage and valour that a Jew might have displayed had he painted a Star of David on an SS barracks. The annals of history do not record any such act.**

According to Rodrigo Royo, the Nazi ideology represents a kind of "Third Force" equidistant between "the extremes of democratic capitalism and communist Marxism." All countries tending toward a "Third Force" position "have a strong Nazi-Fascist substance, whether they want it or not," says Royo.

"The Nazi-Fascist doctrine has had and always will have an immense attraction for youth in any society," Royo believes.

Rodrigo spent several years in the U.S. as correspondent for the newspaper "Arriba," organ of the Falange, Spain's only authorized political movement. Before that he was a soldier in the Spanish Blue Division that fought alongside the Germans in World War Two.

Readers' Letters

BASIC INSECURITY

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Mr. Woolf Perry is, of course, fully entitled to dissociate himself, as Chairman of the British Zionist Federation, from the resolution passed by Hitahdut Olei Britannia at its recent conference dealing with the significance of the anti-Semitic outbreaks. Nor is it at all improper for him to comment on the Hitahdut's attitude as freely as we here will comment, if we find it necessary, on that of Anglo-Jewry.

What he is not entitled to do, however, is by implication to misrepresent the argument of the resolution and at the same time to misinterpret the principles of Zionism. When Mr. Perry contrasts "Zionist conviction and philosophical belief" with "a doubtful feeling of insecurity on the part of Anglo-Jewry," he is comprehensively begging the question. As the resolution stated: "The basic insecurity of Jewish life in the Diaspora" is part of the Zionist analysis of the Jewish position. It is Mr. Perry and others like him who are abandoning "Zionist conviction and philosophical belief" when they deny that this insecurity exists.

To avoid misunderstanding, I should like to point out that this aspect of Zionist theory does not necessarily imply that Anglo-Jewry (or American Jewry for that matter) is doomed to the fate of the German Jews. There are varying degrees of insecurity, and it is one of them that we are witnessing today, when Jews in almost every part of the world do not know what new insult the morrow will bring.

As Zionists, we believe that it is degrading for Jews to have to rely on the tolerance and good sense of others to defend them against these outrages, even if they are not followed by others more serious. It is not "fear," as the caption to Mr. Perry's letter suggests, but self-respect that should, in our conviction, be one — though not the only — motive impelling Jews from Britain, as well as other countries, to settle in Israel.

Yours, etc.
MISHA LOUVISH
Jerusalem, January 17.

T-V RECEIVER PRICE

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In your January 4 editorial on television you put the price of a TV receiver at "a thousand dollars." I assume this should have read a thousand pounds as in Europe the retail price of a 17" TV receiver is about $200. Of this, the biggest item, which would have to be imported for foreign currency, is the picture tube, which costs about $40. All the other tubes (about 20), parts and raw materials to be imported would cost less than $60. Israel radio manufacturers would be quite able to produce the cabinet, internal chassis, loudspeakers as well as all transformers and coils at a small foreign currency outlay. As TV receivers are by now quite standardized, there would be no technical difficulty in their local manufacture.

All the imported parts would therefore amount to only $100; at current customs and tax rates this should be about IL500. Assembly of a complete TV receiver should be possible for around IL800, excluding distribution expenses and retail profits. If the Government were interested in the introduction of TV and the distribution of locally made receivers and would waive an excessive sales tax, the Israel-made TV receiver for IL1,000 would be a practical possibility.

The problem of providing Israel with television is, however, not in finding the resources for the capital investment in a number of transmitters and a studio, but in providing programmes for three to four hours per day. Programming costs for one year might easily exceed the whole capital investment and there is the rub. It would be very difficult to collect these sums in the form of licence fees from the relatively few televiewers within the first few years after the introduction of TV. Unless TV would operate completely on a commercial basis, as it probably will in the neighbouring Arab countries, this would mean an expense of millions of pounds, to be covered from other taxes, possibly levied on the already overtaxed radio listener.

But providing no television is, in my opinion, no alternative either. Within two years, all the neighbouring Arab countries will have TV transmitters. Israelis will start to receive foreign-made receivers as "presents from abroad;" new immigrants will bring TV receivers with them and the number of viewers watching foreign TV broadcasts, at present a handful of amateurs, will quickly grow to several thousand, at which point the Government will be obliged to provide our own TV transmissions in order to offset the Arab propaganda.

The Director-General of the Prime Minister's Office is therefore quite right in saying that the time has come to start planning a TV service for Israel right now.

Yours, etc.
E. GROSS
Haifa, January 17.

HIGHER RENTS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — It is rather refreshing to read your Economic Correspondent's article headed "Case for Higher Rent," in your issue of January 1, for it seems to have accepted part of the unorthodox views which were voiced by the undersigned in his article which you kindly printed on July 28, 1953.

However, your Economic Correspondent still has misconceptions concerning one, from the practical point of view, essential aspect of rent decontrol, namely its impact on the c.o.l. Index.

Your correspondent does not appear to be aware that changes in the level of rents hardly affect the index, the effect being as low as less than two points for every 100 per cent rent increase. More important, the index also takes account of the level of key-money, and it is, therefore, evident that the overall effect of rent increases is practically nil, for the higher the rent, the lower the key-money. Incidentally, business rents are not reflected in the index.

It is, therefore, to be hoped that Ministers will at long last rid themselves of misconceptions and prejudices and do the only right thing with rents, namely, abolish control over a reasonable period from two to three years, by sanctioning flat half-yearly increases. They should have no qualms, for controlled dwellings represent a surprisingly small percentage of the total and these are mainly occupied by the old *yishuv*, generally enjoying economic security.

The above facts can doubtless be verified at the Government Statistician's Office.

The population will then be able to buy flats or rent them as it pleases — provided it pays the economic value for each alternative — without being afflicted by the biggest distortion in Israel's economy, namely, key-money, which is not only iniquitous to landlords and tenants, but also deprives the Government of substantial sums in legitimate taxation.

Yours, etc.
S. VALERO
Jerusalem, January 3.

TENANTS' PLEA

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The raising of rents under a Socialist regime can only be remotely justified — if at all — provided tenants are at the same time given the right to buy their flats outright from the non-occupant owners, on reasonable terms.

It should not be too difficult to draw up a scale of values — based on the number of years a house owner has been receiving rent from a property, coupled with the number of years the present tenant has been occupying the property, and other relevant considerations — fixing the prices to be paid for flats.

The Government and/or Local Authorities should aid such purchase by tenants, which at least would have the laudable object of enabling every Israeli ultimately to become his own flat-owner.

Yours, etc.
A. FELBER
Jerusalem, January 10.

YESTERDAY'S PRESS

Teachers' Problem Uppermost

Davar (Histadrut) writes that the secondary school teachers will do grievous harm to education and to themselves if they reject the Knesset's appeal to drop their non-cooperation policy; they are not being asked to bury their claim but only to give up their method of fighting for it. Even if they are certain that their demand is just they should, as citizens and educators, respect the call of the State's supreme institution. They should also understand that it will not help to by-pass the Histadrut, with which they have a quarrel, to press the Government to hand them a victory, which it is patently unable to accord them.

Haboker (General Zionist), on the other hand, believes that the Knesset missed its chance to bring the dispute to an end and adds that Mr. Aranne's speech, saturated with irony, will not cut the Gordian knot.

Ma'ariv writes that the Knesset has aired the problem without result, the vicious circle remains unbroken and the time has come for the two contending parties — the secondary teachers and the Ministry of Education — to find a way out of the impasse by making mutual concessions.

Ha'aretz (non-party) writes that a government that is strict about not permitting the penetration of private initiative into broadcasting cannot allow its own station to use its monopolistic position making profits through advertising. Since the whole plan is only experimental, there should be no difficulty in scrapping it.

Lamerhav (Ahdut Ha'avoda) fears that commercial broadcasts will harm Kol Yisrael's standard and hopes that it will not be long before the idea is dropped.

Hatzofe (National Religious) writes that the view that the revival of the Palestine Conciliation Commission was superfluous has already been vindicated: before doing anything the Commission is awaiting the outcome of the Arab League's deliberations on the refugees in Cairo next week, obviously awaiting a lead from them instead of using its own initiative. This can only bring disgrace upon the P.C.C. and the countries it represents.

Omer (Histadrut)) expresses its approval of the fact that the Courts have, of late been dealing severely with persons who approach or cross the border even if they do not give information to the enemy, in order to deter irresponsibility, bravado and outright criminal intent.

MUSICAL DIARY

Opera in Jerusalem

"La Boheme" by Puccini. Hebrew: A. Ashman. Produced by Edis de Philippe. Conductor: Ernest Paldi (Edison Hall, Jerusalem, January 25).

IT is an encouraging sign for the Israel National Opera that after a completely sold-out house in "Madame Butterfly" only a month ago, Jerusalem opera fans flocked again to the Edison Hall in full capacity to hear and see "La Boheme."

Miss Michiko Sunahara, the Japanese guest artist, played an appealing Mimi. Her slightly metallic voice was quite successfully subdued to fit her role, and her play was convincing and most moving. I. Bekarski (Rudolph) has a pleasant high register though otherwise his voice does not carry well and his acting is still far too wooden. On the other hand Mordechai Ben-Shahar (Marcel) showed real dramatic talent and his singing throughout was on a wholly professional level. Miss Bliznicka (Musette) was too much like a figure out of a Yiddish operetta — in looks, acting and singing — to please completely. The supporting parts of Colline and Schaunard were satisfactorily performed by Josef Pollak and Ino Topper respectively, whose diction appeared very much improved. In general, the Opera company showed encouraging progress. Ernest Paldi conducted the performance effectively, with only intonation difficulties among the wind players sometimes slightly marring the otherwise good impression made by the orchestra which was led by old-new leader Sasha Parnes.

On the whole, I am sure, the Israel National Opera won on this night more devotees here of opera performed "live" on the stage.

Grand Old Man

Special Concert for Shlomo Rosovsky, presented by the Association of artists and music teachers and the Rubin Academy of Music, Jerusalem, (January 21, at the Academy Hall).

TO fete the temporary presence of Shlomo Rosovsky in Jerusalem, old friends and admirers were invited to a special concert dedicated to his work. Prof. Arieh Abileah, who founded the Society for Jewish Folk Music in Petrograd in 1908 with Rosovsky, and Mordechai Breuer, one of his former pupils, traced the personal qualities and professional achievements of the guest of honour. His main importance lies in his research of Bible Cantillation *(Ta'amei Hamikra)* of which Shlomo Rosovsky gave the assembly some examples, reciting in a mellifluous voice that carried the message of the text to the listener in a pleasant and dignified manner.

The second part of the programme was taken up with renderings of compositions from different periods of Rosovsky's writing, but only the accompanying part varied in its texture, for his music remains faithful to his upbringing in Russia. Pianists Amiram Rigai, Shlomo Serebrisky, Arieh Abileah and Arieh Zemanek, Soprano Rose Sander and Violinist Isiah Braker contributed their talents to the performance in a gratifying manner.

Shlomo Rosovsky, who started originally studying law and practised some years as a lawyer, was drawn into the circle of young Jewish enthusiasts in Petrograd at an early stage. He was active in collecting Jewish folklore, playing an important role as music critic before he turned to research in Bible Cantillation. He lived in Jerusalem from 1925 to 1947, then moved to New York, but he still feels at home here and intends to return in the not too distant future. Despite his 82 years, he is as vigorous and active and full of plans as he always has been. The good wishes of the event's organizers and participants accompany Shlomo Rosovsky on the next stage of his journey.

YOHANAN BOEHM

Pure Chopin

Jerusalem Labour Council Cultural Department Concert in Commemoration of the 150th Anniversary of the Birth of Chopin: Tadeusz Kerner, piano (Histadrut Hall, January 25): Nocturne in C-sharp-minor; Polonaise in E-flat-minor; Scherzo in B-flat-minor; Mazurka in A-minor, op. 17; Mazurka in B-flat-major; Polonaise in F-sharp-minor; Ballade in A-flat-major; Nocturne in B-flat-minor; Ballade in G-minor; Mazurka in C-major, op. 24; Mazurka in B-minor, op. 24; Scherzo in C-sharp-minor.

THE artist, who has just returned from a fortnight of engagements in Britain, teaches at the Israel Conservatoire in Tel Aviv. He gave us clean, classically sculptured Chopin: no blatancy and no banality.

Mr. Kerner, prizewinner at the International Chopin Contest in Warsaw in 1957, appears dedicated to a sober and forthright interpretation. With his technical apparatus, he can well afford it. The two Nocturnes in particular, and the Ballade in G minor, were extremely effective.

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I.P.O. in Cyprus

The Cyprus Press followed the visit of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra with interest. The issues of January 21 of "Haravgi," "Ethnos" and "Phileleftheros" each carry a picture of the orchestra together with a favourable notice of the concert. "Haravgi" concentrates mainly on the programme, "Ethnos" gives a long list of distinguished personalities who attended the concert, and "Phileleftheros" appends a list of the guests at the reception given after the event by the Israel consul, Mr. Ze'ev Levin.

David Bar Ilan appeared in Liszt's First Piano Concerto four times last week at New York's Carnegie Hall, under the baton of Dmitri Mitropoulos, in the main series of the New York Philharmonic Orchestra's concerts. The "New York Herald Tribune" credited him with technical mastery and polish, and the "New York Times" called his piano style "big."

The First International Harp Contest which took place here in September is mentioned in two German music magazines. "Musica" (Kassel) publishes in its January number a fairly comprehensive coverage of the event by Sh. Petrushka, whilst the "Orchester" (Mainz) is satisfied to report in one sentence that "the first prize in the Harp competition on Mount Zion (sic!) went to 19-year-old Susanne Mildonian."

Two pupils of Mrs. Antonia Lavanne's singing class at the Rubin Academy of Music in Jerusalem were successful abroad. Hava Nir was selected amongst 45 competitors to sing the main solo part in Handel's "Messiah" in Philadelphia, while Shila Amit won a scholarship for three years of study from the municipality of Liverpool.

Israel Music Abroad

GARY BERTINI spent over two months in the U.S. at the invitation of the Bethsabee de Rothschild Foundation for the Arts and Science, for which he conducted two concerts, and the America-Israel Cultural Foundation, for which he gave a series of lectures in New York, Washington, South Dakota and four radio presentations of Israel music.

Mr. Bertini discovered in his travels that Israel music is practically unknown as yet. (What has our expensive Transcription Service in New York done all these years?) Efforts to publicize Israel music are still not very effective, and the dissemination of scores and recordings among musical personalities and institutions could do much in this respect. Enabling more representatives of Israel's music life to go to the States and assisting them to contact the relevant people and institutions would also greatly help make Israel's achievements better known. The recent visit of Paul Ben-Haim (also sponsored by the America-Israel Cultural Foundation) was not only important to Israel's music life but awakened considerable interest in Israel in general. Our Government must come to view the matter of cultural propaganda in the fields of music more seriously.

A major problem to be solved is how Israel can utilize our young students to the fullest advantage after their studies abroad, assuring their existence and musical development so as not to lose this rich cultural treasure to other countries. Towards this end, at Mr. Bertini's initiative, the Israel Consulate in New York arranged a meeting of Israel music and dance students which was attended by some 40 young people. A revealing exchange ensued, in the presence of Mrs. Bethsabee de Rothschild, Mr. Ralph Goldman, the Executive Vice President of the America-Israel Cultural Foundation, and Mr. Zvi Haftel of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra. It is hoped that this will be only the beginning of an attempt to solve this pressing problem.

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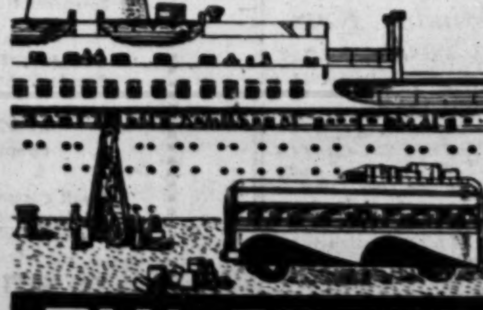

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